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# Blair puts the family at Labour's policy heart

By Philip Webster, political editor

TONY BLAIR promises today that he will not be driven off the new morality agenda dominating British politics, and that he will put promotion of "strong families" at the heart of Labour policy-making.

Writing in The Times, the Labour leader makes clear that he will resist Conservative attempts to concentrate public debate on the economy, and he denies that his party is leaping on to the morality bandwagon.

Confirmation that Mr Blair is intent on pursuing the morality agenda will further irritate John Major, whose relations with the Labour leader are at a low ebb. The Prime Minister has privately attacked Mr Blair's "sanctimonlous" approach to the morality issue and is even reported to have likened him to Elmer Gantry, the fictional fire-and-brimstone evangelist who turned out to be a charlatan and and using his talent for preaching to

his own ends: '-But in his article today, Mr. Blair defends his approach and insists that Labour is not trying to govern private sexual morality. He says that the idea of a new social morality is not "a lurch into nostalgia or Victorian hypocrisy. We do not want to return to prejudiced attitudes on sex, sexuality or the role of women. Neither do we believe that supporting the family means attacking lone parents, the vast bulk of whom

6 The quality of life people enjoy is not determined only by the wage packet, but by whether their children can play safely ? - Tony Blair on page 22

have endured pain through divorce or

He says, however, that government can help to create a decent, well-ordered and stable society for today, a modern view of citizenship, and he spells out Labour's plan for tackling the "fractured society" identified by Frances Lawrence, whose headmaster husband Philip was stabbed to death outside his London comprehensive

school last vear. Mr Blair makes plain that under Labour every department would review its policies to see how they promoted strong families. "We know the stronger the family, the better a child's life chances," he says.

Last week's MORI poll for The Times found that Labour had taken a clear lead over the Conservatives in the revived public debate on morality after Mrs Lawrence called for a crusade against violence in society. The findings confirmed ministers in their view that they should concentrate campaigning resources on the economy, a conclusion described by Mr Blair today as extraordinary. He says: Two weeks ago the fractured society was to be the

By Adrian Lee

IAN LANG was last night under

pressure from safety campaigners

to introduce new laws banning giant fireworks after two deaths at

The president of the Board of

Trade was already considering the

need for stronger safety laws to be

in force by next November after a

90 per cent increase in firework

injuries over the past five years.

Campaigners demanded the ban

weekend bonfire parties.

key theme of the Queen's Speech. Now it is dropped. And they accuse us of being cynical and driven by polls."

Labour election strategists decided last week to continue harrying the Government on issues that in the past it has numbered among its strengths. They are desperately seeking an issue on which the Opposition parties can unite against the Government, whose Commons majority fell to one yesterday after the death from cancer of Barry Porter, who had a majority of 8,183 as MP for Wirral South.

The Government's majority is expected to be wiped out next month after a by election at Labour-held Barnsley East, and it would go into minority for the first time in nearly 18 consecutive years of office if it loses the Wirral byelection, expected in February.

The Labour leader's article appears as Conservative sources confirmed that relations betwen Mr Blair and Mr Major are at a low ebb - although officials in Mr Blair's office denied that he had any complaint about the way he

had been treated. The Times has learnt that they began to break down after Mr Blair mocked Mr Major in the Commons over a defeat on the Divorce Bill earlier this year, even though Mr Major had granted a free vote to Conservative MPs.

They came close to freezing point after the Dunbiane tragedy with Mr Major accusing Mr Blair privately of breaking an agreement not to highlight the Dunblane issue during the party conference season. And when asked for his opinion of the Labour leader on a visit to the Commons tea-room, Mr Major is reported to have replied that he reminded him of Elmer Gantry. ☐ Mr Blair is expected to receive a further boost after his soaring opinion poll ratings today when his party is expected to back his modernising draft

manifesto by a ratio of nine to one.

It is understood that more than half of Labour members took part in the vote, many more than were expected to a few weeks ago, and Mr Blair will hail the result as an unhesitating endorsement of the aims and objectives of new

Labour. In his Times article, Mr Blair describes the document as "our covenant with the British people and our covenant with ourselves" which affirms the belief that it is possible to forge a new political programme by stripping away commoded ideology and applying

traditional values in a modern way. He insists that the document was not just about accommodating the thinking of the Right, but a recognition "that we have entered a new phase of political

debate and development". Mr Blair and his deputy, John Prescott, had to make strong lastminute appeals to members to vote on the document, but even so, the leadership will point out that the vote was higher than that in the ballot on Clause 4 of Labour's constitution.

Firework ban urged as two die

when a Chinese firework intended

Mr Lang also faced calls for all

those running public displays to be licensed and receive training after

the death on Saturday of David

Hattersley, a head teacher who was

running a primary school event. Critics said British firework laws

were outdated and some Chinese

fireworks available in Britain

would be banned in their country of

origin. According to the National

Campaign for Firework Safety,

for professional use only exploded

in his face.

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of his two sons in Dartford, Kent. some weigh up to 100lb and are when a Chinese firework intended packed with explosives.



#### Cleopatra's playground re revealed

FROM MICHAEL MURPHY IN ALEXANDRIA

THE royal playground of Cleopatra and Mark Antony in ancient Alexandria has been found by a French marine archaeologist after nearly 2,000 years.

"It was a fantastic feeling diving on the remains of the city," said Franck Goddio at the unveiling of his work yesterday. "To think when I touched a statue or sphinx, that Cleopatra herself might have done the same . . . "

puzzled historians.

dria's Eastern Harbour, has produced staggeringly detailed evidence for the plan of the "royal city" which has long Today the easternmost of the twin harbours of Alexan-

M Goddio, 49, Director of

the European Institute of

Marine Archaeology in Paris,

whose team of 16 professional

divers and archaeologists has

made more than 3,500 dives in

the murky waters of Alexan-

dria is a placid and featureless stretch of water, bounded to east and west by a military

strongpoint and the high rise blocks of flats of the former Turkish quarter, and to the south by the coastal road.

But M Goddio and his

team, backed by the Egyptian Supreme Council for Antiquities and financed by the Hilti Foundation of Liechtenstein, has used the most up-to-date technology including satellite measuring to pinpoint the tumbled stones and architectural features about 20ft below the present surface. Many finds such as columns, statues, enormous blocks of granite, amphorae, sphinxes and pavements, bear testimony to the importance of the royal

city's palaces and temples. M Goddio's work bears out remarkably the description of the Greek historian Strabo. who wrote a detailed study of the area in 25BC. At that time he was working in the legendary Library of Alexandria, just six years after the naval battle of Actium. in which Octavian defeated the combined forces of Antony and Cleopatra who became the last Pharoah of an Continued on page 2, col 1

#### BT pledge of shares windfall

BRITISH TELECOM'S 2.4 million shareholders can look forward to a 35p a share windfall as a result of the company's \$20 billion takeover of MCI, America's second biggest long-distance telephone carrier. The agreement, confirmed

yesterday, would be the biggest transatlantic deal. The special dividend will-cost BT £2.3 billion but should help ensure share-holder support for the deal. Sir Peter Bonfield, chief executive of BT, said it will be paid next September, at the same time as the final dividend for this financial year. The final dividend has been boosted 6.2 per cent to 11,95p.

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Labour called for a ban on

mortar-type fireworks which were

responsible for the deaths of Mr

Hattersley in High Wycombe,

Buckinghamshire; and Steve

A third man was injured by a firework at Marlborough, Wilt-

Timcke, in Kent.

#### Clinton's lead slips in polls

President Clinton's hopes of winning a resounding mandate that would silence his critics in tomorrow's election appeared to be slipping and the Republicans were growing confident of retaining Congress. There was little doubt Mr Clinton would be comfortably re-elected but polls suggested the race had tightened and he may not get 50 per cent of

#### Europe 'must aid Zaire refugees'

France called on the rest of Europe to prepare for intervention in eastern Zaire as Paris confirmed it was considering humanitarian corridors" to help a million Hutu refugees to escape. "We are already prepositioning supplies. But France cannot act alone," said Secretary of State for Aid......Page 13

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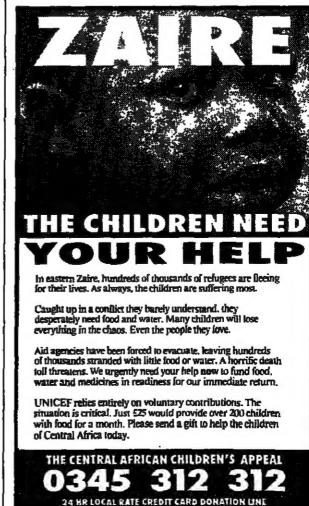
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# Massive data bank will store all personal details



Heseltine: conceived plan to

PLANS for a £1 billion computer scheme to centralize personal unveiled this week.

The computer would hold everything from birth certificates and tax returns to social security numbers and TV licence details. New technology would also make public services available direct in homes and from special terminals at post offices, libraries and Citizens Advice Bureaux.

People would be able to complete tax returns, VAT declarations, buy government agencies if they have

changed address. The move to put the Government on line was conceived by Michael Heseltine, the deputy Prime Minister, a year ago and will be formally outlined in a Green Paper entitled "Government Direct" on Wednesday. Pilot terminals, allowing the public to call up information, are to be sited in 12 regional centres. The law would have to be changed to allow government departments could share certain personal information

about individuals.

Last night Roger Freeman,
Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, said: "The challenge is to transform public services in this country. We had the introduction of

which revolutionised government services. This century we have had the phone and the typewriter. In the 21st century we will see the rise of information technology which will be the main driver for producing better quality services. We are looking at a revolution."

Ministers envisage that within a

year people could be able to call up information and government forms via their television. If they have a printer attached to their computer they could receive an actual form.

The key to the scheme will be for members of the public to be issued with a smartcard to ensure their personal and business details cannot be divulged to anyone else. A

smartcard will be crucial for verifying transactions, especially if payments are involved. It could be linked with a personal banker's card and could also carry donor information and blood group. Eventually, it is possible it could link up with the new national identity and driving licence card. Mr Freeman said last night that

would merge to form a single card. But he cautioned: "I don't think the Government should be dogmatic about this, it is about people's choice.

he hoped that eventually they

But Ministers want to consult the public on how best privacy can be guaranteed and want an on-thespot guarantee that the card is

being used by the rightful owner. Mr Freeman said: "We must ensure privacy and the Data Protection Registrar will have a big role to play. The law must protect every citizen to ensure the information is used carefully."

One idea is for a Personal Identification Number, but other countries have used fingerprints. while a new scheme for frequent travellers at JFK airport in New York uses a handprint. Another possibility is for the computer to check out the pattern of an eye.

If someone were using their own home telephone number to call up information, that alone could be taken as security. But the aim is to ask the public what information that it is easy to find and

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The computer software and hardware and the cards would be provided by private capital under the Private Finance Initiative. Ministers accept the project could cost up to £1 billion but believe the final efficiency savings could be much

The Government will pay back the private firms as the handling of paper transactions in Whitehall is reduced and the number of clerical posts is cut. Mr Freeman accepted there would be a loss of repetitive. manual, clerical jobs but believed staff would be liberated to do different jobs.

#### Corporal punishment lobby banks on opinion polls to persuade Major

## Tory right forces pace on caning

BY PHILIP WEBSTER AND JOHN O'LEARY

TORY rightwingers pledged to step up the campaign for corporal punishment in state schools yesterday after support from opinion polls and growing signs that individual ministers back the move.

James Pawsey, chairman of the backbench Tory education committee, called on the Prime Minister to reconsider his opposition to the issue being reopened. Eight members of the present Cabinet, including Mr Major, backed the retention of corporal punishment when it was last debated in the Commons in 1486 and rightwingers are claiming that there would still be a big Cabinet majority in favour now if Mr Major had

not ruled out a change. The 1986 Cabinet supporters included Michael Heseltine. Kenneth Clarke, Michael - who on Friday indicated his continued backing - Stephen Dorrell, Roger Freeman, Brian Mawhinney.

and Virginia Bottomley. Gillian Shephard, the Education secretary, backed the idea last week but was swiftly slapped down by Mr Major. Ministers in Mrs Shephard's department are known to support her private view. There have been indications that

RELATIONS between Tony Blair

and John Major have hit rock

bottom, according to Conservative

sources. Asked for his opinion of

the Labour leader on a visit to the

Commons tea-room Mr Major is

reported to have replied that Mr

Blair reminded him of Elmer

other ministers, including William Hague, the Welsh Secretary, are supporters of the move, although Mr Hague yesterday repeated the

Downing Street policy line. Mr Pawsey believes that a head of steam is building up behind his campaign to allow parents to give their consent to caning, as an alternative to expulsion. He said: "The Prime Minister weighs mat-ters up carefully and I believe that if the Prime Minister were to see there was a substantial or overwhelming case in favour, then he might

Sir Marcus Fox. chairman of the backbench 1922 committee, took the unusual move of voicing his personal support for caning, although he did not expect it to become part of the current Bill: "If schools want the sanction of the cane, then I make no secret of the fact that I support that."

Mrs Shephard backed calls for school governors to clamp down on scruffy teachers, but ruled out legislation for a national dress code. David Shaw, the Tory MP for Dover. is planning an amendment to the Education Bill requiring governors to lay down dress

Gantry. If proof were needed that

all is not well between the Prime Minister and the leader of the

Opposition, this was it. The epony-

mous Elmer Gantry, a fictional

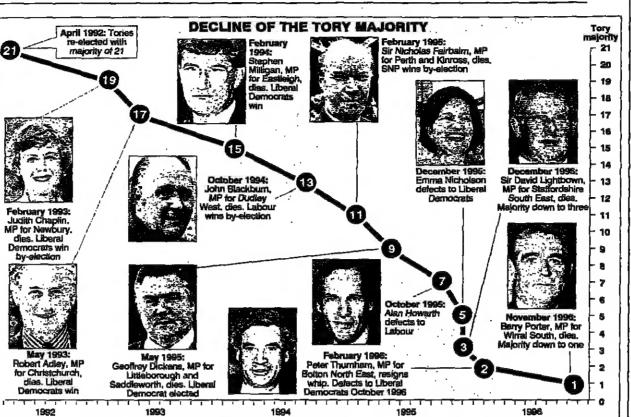
1920s American evangelist, was the

central figure of a film released in

1960, based on a satirical novel by

Nobel-prize winner Sinclair Lewis,

in which he explored the seedier



#### Death could put Tories in minority

BY PHILIP WEBSTER POLITICAL EDITOR

THE Government's Commons majority. 21 at the 1992 general election, is expected to be wiped out after the death yesterday of Barry Porter, MP for Wirral South, after a short period of illness.

With May I still the most likely date for the general election. Labour and Conservalive business managers were last night predicting a by-election early in the new year for Mr Porter's seat, If Labour overturns the 8.183 majority, there would be a minority government. Mr Porter's

side of the evangelical revival which had taken America by storm.

Gantry emerges as an immoral

Bible-thumper who is the opposite

of what he claims to be. Using his

talent for oratory, he jumps on the

1920s moral crusading bandwagon

and becomes an evangelist and

preacher, although behind his elo-

quent Christian front he behaves in

majority drops to one. Labour are confidently expected to win the pending by-election at Barnsley East, which would leave it without a majority. A Labour victory at Wirral South would mean the Government was in a minority of one.

John Major led the tributes yesterday to Mr Porter, 57, who was married with five children. "Barry's generous heart and good humour will be much missed at Westminster and in the Wirral," he said. "He served both his constituents and

Brian Mawhinney, the Tory party

preaches salvation.

purely to serve his own end,

destroying at the same time as he

Gantry, but some fans believe the

picture was stolen by Jean

Simmons, with her portrayal of the

compelling Sister Sharon Falcon-

er, the leader of a religious revival-

Burt Lancaster played the lead as

death means that the Government's chairman, said: "Barry had a first-class reputation for both his constituency work and in the chamber of the House of Commons." Alastair Goodlad, the Chief Whip, added: "Barry Porter was a hard-working member of Parliament and

a much liked and respected colleague." Labour campaign strategists said last night that they expected the by-election to in February. They would need a swing of more than 8 per cent to take the seat. The Tories have not won a by-election in the present Parliament and, barring a swift change in the public mood, cannot be

confident about changing the trend. Elmer Gantry jibe is proof that all is not well in Westminster

negotiations.

Ronnie Flanagan, who ist group. Gantry, a hard-drinking, promiscuous salesman who uses prostitutes, at one point describes Christ as "the best all-American quarterback in history". Taking more literally than most the text "love thy neighbour", his aim is to seduce Sr Sharon, who employs him as a preacher, and he nearly destroys her mission in his attempt.

#### Hume acts as broker in hope of ceasefire

BY NICHOLAS WATT

JOHN HUME, the leader of the SDLP, is acting as an intermediary between the British Government and Sinn Fein to negotiate terms for a renewed IRA ceasefire.

The MP for Foyle has been shuttling between the two sides in the hope of brokering an agreement over the condi-tions Sinn Fein would have to meet before it could join the Stormont talks. Mr Hume, who confirmed yesterday that he is in regular contact with the Government and with Gerry Adams, said he was optimistic that an agreement could be found.

John Major has made clear that Sinn Fein could only join the multi-party talks if the IRA renewed its ceasefire and then offered clear evidence of its unambiguous committment to peace. The IRA would also have to decommission some of its weapons during the talks.

Sinn Fein believes that it should be allowed into the talks within days of a ceasefire. The party also in-sists that a ceasefire will only be declared if Britain softens its stance on the weapons issue and sets a timeframe for talks of no more than six months.

Despite the differences between Britain and Sign Fein. there are indications that Mr Hume's intensive negotiations are making some progress. The Dublin Sunday Tribune reported yesterday that Britain has accepted that the IRA cannot use the word permanent" in a ceasefire stätement. The three sides yesterday all played down reports of the

takes over today as Chief Constable of the RUC, made clear yesterday that he wants to achieve "a totally neutral working environment" to attract more Roman Catholics. This may mean reducing the use of the Union flag and the

#### POLET STATE OF THE **Shooters** condemn gun laws

The shooting community turned their anger on Parlia-ment yesterday and warned the Government against adding their families to the list of victims of the Dunblane

shootings.
About 3,000 shooters and gun traders from around Britain were at Wolverhampton race course to protest at the proposed gun legislation announced last week after Lord Cullen's inquiry into the shooting at Dunblane where 16 children and their teacher were murdered. The rally was led by members of the British Shooting Sports Council, which represents about 500,000 enthusiasts.

Currency deal

The Liberal Democrat leadership warned Labour that signing up to a single curren-cy would be a condition for support in any deal after the general election. Menzies Campbell, foreign affairs spokesman made the party? most explicit demand on Lab-our after signals from the Labour leadership that it was moving away from a decision to join the first members of a single currency in 1999.

Kidnap charges

Two men were charged last night with the killnap and unlawful ime Joanne Norris, 30, a secretary who disappeared from her home in Knebworth. Hertfordshire. Police said that a woman claiming to be Ms Norris had called her family from abroad to say that she was safe. She was forced from her home after being bound and blindfolded on Friday night.

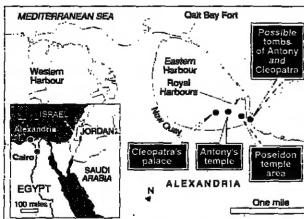
Princess ends trip

Diana, Princess of Wales ended her trip to Australia yesterday with a private visit to the quadriplegic son of a friend. Ben Robertson, 18. who was crippled in an accident while playing a school rugby match, is the son of a former equerry to the Prince of Wales. Captain Brian Robertson looked after the Prince and Princess during their official tour to Australia in 1925

#### I don't believe it

The actor Richard Wilson who plays Victor Meldrew in One Foot in the Grave - had car trouble before the London to Brighton Veteran Car Rally. The camshaft broke on the 1900 Simms in which he was supposed to be travelling. He was given a lift in another car. The first car to arrive was an 1898 Panhard et Levassor driven by Mike Timms of East Sussex. Photograph, page 26

# Antony and Cleopatra's Alexandrian playground revealed



Continued from page I independent Egypt. Strabo wrote of inner harbours for the royal vessels, "hidden from people and made by the hand of That has long puzzled historians. but M Goddio's divers found a 10ft-high pier of limestone extending 350 yards north and west of the eastern promontory, still paved with limestone blocks and encircling an area of sheltered water: a shorter pier marks out an inner sanctuary. The walls can safely be dated to Ptolemaic rather than Roman times because the mortar is grey rather than red. The Romans mixed burnt brick with the mortar for extra waterproofing.

Farther south is a former island which once held the temple of Poseidon, god of the sea, and a limestone quay carried the

Antony, facing that of Cleopatra. Strabo's description of Antirrhodos, the island on which Cleopatra built her palace. misled M Goddio to search in mid-harbour, but the areas he found there proved to be no more than ancient reefs. When he moved south, however, he found a paved island, 350 yards long and 60 yards wide, littered with fallen columns and architectural features, some of them carved with hieroglyphs. He knew. although the ancient planners had put the island farther west, that he had found "a very impressive building surrounded by

Few remains of buildings on the shore survive, although M Goddio has an

columns of rare and unusual stone":

Cleopatra's palace.

Timoneum, shrine and palace of Mark inkling that the tombs of Antony and Cleonatra may be found in that area one day. Instead, most of the royal buildings lie fallen just off the present seashore barely disturbed since they were brought down in an earthquake in AD335 and drowned in the succeeding tidal wave. Among those remains were once Cleopatra's Needles, which have now found homes on the London Embankment and

> M Goddio said of his work: "We tried a sound survey first, but the background noise from the modern city was too great to get accurate readings. The only way was to make exhaustive dives, metre by metre. And that way we were able to pinpoint exactly where Cleopatra and Antony once walked."

in New York.



Elizabeth Taylor, star of the film Cleopatra

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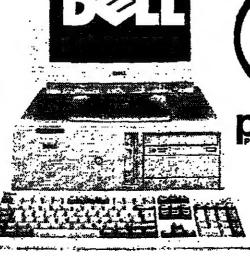
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Chinese 'grenade' meant for public display explodes in garden, claiming second victim of weekend

# Safety officers to trace source of fatal firework

A CITY trader became the second man to die in a firework accident at the weekend when a device intended only for professional use at a public display exploded in his

Steve Timcke, 34, died al-most instantly when he lit a Chinese firework in the back garden of his house in Wilmington, Dartford, Kent. it is thought his two children Shaun and Danny, both aged under ten, saw the explosion along with 40 other people. Mr Timcke's widow, Denise, is on holiday in America

The widow of David Hattersley, 45, a father of six. who died on Saturday after running his primary school's display in High Wycombe. Buckinghamshire, paid tribute to him yesterday after attending a church service.

In a third incident, Richard Nocton, in his 30s, was knocked unconscious by a rocket and suffered burns to his face as he organised a display at Marlborough, Wiltshire. His injuries were last night said to be not life-

Trading standards officers in Kent were trying to establish yesterday how Mr Timcke bought the grenade-shaped firework, called a Grand Cele-



Killed: head teacher David Hattersley

bration. They warned other people not to use the firework, which had safety instructions written in Chinese down its side. Mr Timcke was apparently lighting the firework when it detonated in a blue flash. John Simmonds, Kent's head of trading standards, said: We are investigating where this man got it from. It is the type of firework that should be fired from a roomar tube and should be used only in big displays such as those organised by local authorities. We think that in this case the man used a match to light it. It

special man, a very special husband and father. I did not is not for general distribution. realise how much his life had touched so many people." Her husband was head of Haziemere Church of Eng-land Combined School in Wycombe and had organised firework displays for 12 years. During the church service some worshippers cried openly as the Reverend Clive Collier spoke of Mr Hattersley's commitment to the school. The Archbishop of Canterbury sent a message of

sympathy. The service was attended by the couple's six children: Rebecca, 21, a student at Oxford; Judith, 19, a student at Bath; Philippa, 18, who is working at the church: Andrea, 17, a Mr Hatterslev's school.

Charnler, said: "Steve was one

of those city whiz-kids. He was

really friendly and outgoing, a

really nice neighbour. He worked so hard for that house

- it was his dream home. He

loved those kids so much. This

is an appalling tragedy."

Mr. Hattersley's widow
Ruth joined 350 people at Holy

Trinity Church, High Wye-

ombe. He was fatally injured when he returned to a large mortar-type firework. She said: "All that can be said is

that he was a very, very



#### Amateurs warned off giant rockets

PEOPLE planning garden firework par-ties were warned yesterday not to compromise safety by trying to detonate speciacular fireworks intended for public

displays.
Safety experts said that the general public should buy only fireworks stamped with the British Standards number 7114 and carrying a classification between one and three - although three should not be used in gardens. Category one fireworks are suitable for indoor use: category two for gardens; category three for displays where there is at least 25 metres between firework and audience.

A fourth category, designed for profesnal use only, does not have to adhere to British Standards. It is assumed the user will have some expertise and the instructions may not be in English.

Trading standards groups, responsible

people running displays. One of Brit-maximum sizes that should be sold to the 1994 there were two but none last year.

Readers are reminded that, contrary to any implication in an article in the Gardening section of Saturday's Weekend, petrol should never be

ain's last remaining firework makers, the Reverend Ronald Lancaster, 65, of Kimbolton Fireworks, called for shops to be banned from selling the new type of giant firework to the public.

Mr Lancaster, whose company thought to have supplied the firework that killed Mr Hattersley, said a code of practice for retailers was needed to curb the mounting casualties.

The retired chemistry teacher said: "There has been an upsurge in recent times in the selling of large imported drama student; Eleanor, 12: for enforcing safety after fireworks are fireworks. A lot of us in the trade have and Ben. 7, who is a pupil at imported, want a licensing system for been anxious to have agreement on Health and Safety Executive today but said there had been no previous problems with his fireworks.

This year Britons will detonate 130 fireworks of 26,000 different types. Most will be imported. The most popular include German-

made Zink rockets, costing up to £9 each; mortar-type "shells" which are detonated at 400 miles per hour and burst with crackers or colours at 400 ft; and roman candle barrages which shoot 100 ft into the air before producing a cascade of

In 1990, 805 people were injured by fireworks; in 1991 there were 723 injuries: in 1992 the figure was 942; in 1993, the year of deregulation, there were 1,058 injuries. Casualties jumped to 1,574 in 1994, the highest for 20 years, and last year there were 1,530 injuries. Between

#### Dunkirk saviour faces a fiery end

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By MICHAEL EVANS

ONE of the boats that played a significant part in the evacuation of British troops from Dunkirk in June 1940 is facing an ignominious end on a Guy Fawkes bonfire tomorrow.

The 51ft ferry boat Southern little boats that helped to British and French soldiers from the advancing German army. The Southern Oueen retrieved more than 1,000 men from the Dunkirk beaches, bombers and fighter aircraft.

Now the boat is due to be towed to Porthmelon beach on the Isles of Scilly to form the centrepiece of tomorrow's Guy Fawkes bonfire celebrations tined to burn is owned by

Prince Charles.
The Dunkirk Association, upset at the fate of one of the few remaining veterans of the rescue, is now trying to save the boat. Charles Cave, association spokesman, said: "This boat saved so many lives. It would be a terrible shame and a valuable piece of history will

be lost forever." The bonfire party is being oganised by the Round Table in St Mary's. More than 600 people are expected to attend. The 70-year-old Southern Queen has been adandoned for two years. Alec Hicks, 34,

the owner, who has used the boat as a ferry for tourists, found it impossible to upgrade her to Department of Trade standards. Mr Hickssaid: "All that is needed to get her back to her original glory is a bit of work on the timbers. After what the Southern Queen went through in 1940 it is hardly a dignified way to go. History should be preserved and people should know what happened at Dunkirk."

Sub-Lieutenant Basil de Mattos, who took charge of the commandered ferry boat for the Dunkirk rescue and who died three years ago aged 78, wrote: "I had never been under fire before Dunkirk but the crew and the Southern Oueen seemed to bear a



detonated in Mr Timcke's back garden

BY KATHRYN KNIGHT

FFYONA CAMPBELL, the first woman to walk the world, will be removed from the next Guinness Book of Records at her own request after admitting that she cheated, officials confirmed last night.

Peter Matthews, editor of the book at the time of her attempt, said Ms Campbell's revelation was "something of a first" and that the publicity surrounding her attempt meant her record may not have been subject to normally stringent regulations.

In her forthcoming autobiography, Ms Campbell dis-closes that her ten-year marathon went adrift between Indianapolis and Fort Summer on the American leg. Pregnant and physically unable to complete the required 25 miles a day to keep up to schedule, she hitched lifts in her back-up truck, walking only the last few miles into towns where press conferences were being held. She eventually returned to walking within the rules after an

Last week, Ms Campbell went to the offices of her main sponsors, Raleigh International, to explain and apologise to famile Robertson-Macleod, the chief executive. Yesterday he said he was disappointed but



Campbell: admission

that the charity would continue to support her in future.

Whatever Flyona has done she has still inspired many young people and her admission cannot take away from that. She has done the right thing to apologise and come clean," he said.

Ms Campbell said the guilt

she had carried about her deception had forced her to tell the truth. "I shouldn't be remembered as the first woman to walk around the world when I cheated."

Mr Matthews said he was not surprised to hear of the deception but that it was nonetheless very rare. "Nor-mally we would ask for unremining surveillance but with something like this you have to take people on trust quite a

#### Scouts outraged by rector's novel

By RUTH GLEDHILL, RELIGION CORRESPONDENT

A NOVEL by an Anglican clergyman that contains descriptions of Scout leaders sexually assaulting young boys has caused outrage in the Scout movement and was last night branded "a disgrace". In the book, Murder Within Tent, the Rev David Shepherd, rector of St Mary Magdalene's episcopal church in Dundee, explores the murki-

He has paid to publish the novel himself.

The novel has already sold more than 600 copies to family, friends and members of his congregation. One character, a gay Scout leader nick-named "the Artful Groper", dabbles in witchcraft and the

er depths of the Scouting

occult and seduces the boys. The Scouts themselves are depicted as under-age, heavydrinking lovers of sex. The plot centres on the murder of a Scout leader who is investigated by a police inspector who has an affair with a prostitute. David Shelmerdine, chief executive of the Scout Associ-ation in Scotland, said: This is bizarre. The minister is

obviously fantasising beyond

all reason with a book like

this. David Shepherd is obvi-

world. He is trying to shock

movement no good at all. I am amazed that a minister in the Scottish Episcopal Church should write a book like this." Mr Shepherd, 55, who was characters in the novel were

people and this does the Scout

wholly fictional, but added: These things do happen in the Scout movement. I have known quite a few Scout leaders who have done things · His first book sold more than 1,000 copies and his third work of fiction, Slaughter at

the Polls, about the murder of

date, is about to be published.
Mr Shepherd said: "My congregation has an earthy appreciation of the facts of life." Murder Within Tent, which cost him more than £4,000 to publish, is priced at £2.50 in his church bookshop. Mr Shepherd's first novel, Who Killed Sophie Jack? which tells the story of the murder of a prostitute against a backgound of wife swapping.

cost him nearly £4,000 to publish privately. Mr Shepherd, who has yet to make a profit from one of his books, said writing fiction was, his hobby, relieving the boredom on holiday while his ously not living in the real

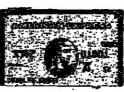
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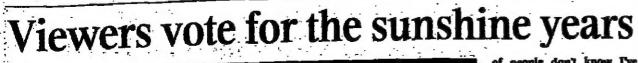
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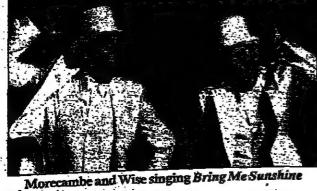
BY CAROL MIDGLEY

TWELVE years after his fatal heart attack, Eric More-cambe and his sidekick Ernic Wise have been voted the nation's favourite BBC light entertainers.

More than half a million viewers took part in the voting for last night's pro-gramme, Auntie's All Time Greats, which celebrated 60 years of BBC television. There was an element of nostalgia to many of the thorces. Morecambe and Visc were named the best light entertainment performers and their show was the

best light entertainment se-

ries. Eric Morecambe's wal-



awards with Ernie Wisc said: "I'm thrilled. He would have been chuffed." Ronnie Barker, who now

Lifetime Achievement in Comedy award. The 67-yearold star of Porridge. The Two Ronnies and Open All Hours said: "I haven't done a stroke of work for nine years. A lot

retired because of repeats. I quit while I was ahead." Dr Who defeated Ballykissangel, Casualty and EastEnders for the best popular drama award.

Victoria Wood, 43, defeat-

ed Monty Python and Harry Enfield to win the favourite comedy series award, and overtook Ben Elton and John Cleese to win the title of favourite comedy performer. She said: "I've never modclied my Writing on anyone's work. That's why I was so lousy when I first started." David Jason, the favourite performer, said:

"Maybe these awards tell some producers what sort of entertainment people want."

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# **Barefoot Duchess** toned down for British readers

BY EMMA WILKINS AND CAROL MIDGLEY

THE Duchess of York's toes, famously caressed by her friend John Bryan on a French sun terrace four years ago, are to be banished from the front cover of the British edition of her new autobiography.

While the American editions will sport a full-length picture of a demure-looking, bare-footed Duchess, British readers will be restricted to a portrait of her head.

The Duchess and her publishers deemed the toes unsuitable for Britain, where the public will no doubt recall them being splashed over seven pages of the Daily. Mirror in August 1992. The paparazzi Daniel Angeli hid in bushes to take several photographs of a near-naked Duchess with her former lover.

"It was always the plan to have a more sober cover for

the British edition," said Carolyn Reidy, president and pub-lisher of Simon & Schuster's trade division. "We are talking about different markets and for the American one the fulllength pose has both wit and

More than 400,000 copies of My Story are being printed in America. The original print run of 350,000 has been increased after extra orders from bookshops and the British serial rights have already been sold to *Hello!* magazine for more than £100,000.

The book's apparent popularity will be welcome news to the Duchess who, it was revealed yesterday, is appearing in an advertisement for a Japanese camera in an effort to relieve her estimated £4 million debts. She was paid £20,000 to pose for a photograph in front of the Statue of Liberty holding an Olympus, making her the first British tisement. Olympus had originally wanted to use the model Naomi Campbell but called on the Duchess when negotiations fell through. The campaign will be launched next week in Austria.

In English, the wording on the poster states: "Fergie snaps the best example of steadfasmess with her Olympus digital camera." In German, however, one word makes an allusion to her recent friendship with the Austrian tennis star Thomas Muster. The German word for best, example" is "Muster-

Gunther Vetter, head of Olympus's Austrian consumproducts division, said:



The Duchess of York as she features in the camera advertisement — a first for a member of the Royal Family

The idea is that the human perseverance in question may be taken to refer either to the statue or to Thomas Muster, the Duchess's idea of a real good man."

According to Herr Vetter, the Duchess has asked the company to consider her for future promotions. She also asked if she could keep the cashmere coat which she It means more people will look wears in the photograph, a at the adverts." The Duchess's book will be

Eventually she bought the coat for £1,500. "We would have published in America and Britain simultaneously on November 13. Ms Reidy insisthad to pay Naomi Campbell a lot more than \$20,000 and the ed that the Duchess had not Duchess originally wanted been tempted to "spice it up". more, too," Herr Vetter said. despite the publication of "Of course the gossip and the psychic and by Allan Starkie. scandals don't bother us at all.

ness partner. The Duchess's office also said she would honour her promise to the Queen not to embarrass members of the Royal Family, "She is bound by agreements with the Royal Family not to do one of those kiss and tell books. but her autobiography is not boring," a spokeswoman said.

#### Tunnel of | love fails to keep toads off the road

WHY did the toad cross the road? Because a specially built tunnel under the traffic was simply too cold for a determined amphibian in search of its mate, scientists have found.

A study of a tunnel built under the A512 near Ashby de la Zouch. Leicestershire. to help toads to cross from hibernating areas to breed-ing grounds, has found that they are avoiding it because its diameter is half the recommended one metre, keeping out warm air.

Professor Robert Oldham of De Monfort University, in a report to Leicestershire County Council said: "The air is not circulating. The toads are not prepared to go into what they think are winter conditions." He sug-

gests a fan or small heater. Professor Oldham has nov been given a grant from the British Ecological Society to study how the failure of the tunnel is affecting local toad populations. He is to radiotag some of the toads to study

#### Locals planned collection to block home for patients

By KATHRYN KNIGHT

NEIGHBOURS of a couple about to go through, and there who bought a £250,000 house was talk of a number of my apparently to prevent it be-coming a home for people with learning difficulties had planned a collection to fund the purchase if there was no

Martin Burr and his wife Beverley are said to have stepped in to buy Kingsdown, a six-bedroom property opp-osite their own detached home in Merstham, Surrey, after-hearing it was to be sold to a housing association.

It was unclear last right whether they had been aided by funding from some of their neighbours, which had been cussed. Occupants of the street, Rockshaw Road, in-

Richard Bull, former owner of Kingsdown, said one of his neighbours had told him that the residents would stop at nothing to prevent the deal with the housing association from going through. Fifty. neighbours attended a meeting with the local health trust to discuss the proposal, al-though he said he and his wife had not been invited.

"All hell broke loose when the housing association contacted them as the sale was:

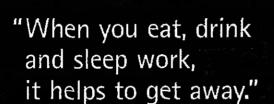
neighbours putting the money up but whether that is the case or whether people have simply guaranteed the purchaser will not lose out on the deal I simply don't know. All I can say is that we were extremely close to clinching the sale with the housing association when all this blew up."

Mr Burr, who owns a tiling

company, said the details of the purchase were "of no concern" to anyone else and Don Marquis, chief execu-

tive of East Surrey NHS Priority Health Care Trust, said he was disappointed by the residents' reaction. "Hav clude a circuit judge and a ing met the residents, the Conservative councillor. question is now would we want to put people who are

The Metropolitan Housing Association uses health authority funds to buy private homes to resettle people with mental disabilities in the community. Michael Ormerod. leader of the Reigate and he had been assured patients, from Royal Earlswood Hospital in Redhill, were not dangerous:





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# HRT study will follow fortunes of 30,000 women

By NIGEL HAWKES, SCIENCE EDITOR

A TRIAL designed to answer the questions about hormone replacement therapy, taken by one in three British women in

their 50s, begins today.
The international trial, which will last 25 years and cost Elo million, aims to establish how HRT affects the risks of developing a range of diseases, including breast cancer. osteoporosis and heart disease and stroke, as well as measuring the quality of life and well-being of those being

More than 30,000 women between the ages of 50 and 64 are to be recruited for the trial; called Wisdom - Women's International Study of long Duration Oestrogen after Menopause — which will be co-ordinated by the Medical Research Council's Epidemiology and Medical Care Unit in London. The cost is being shared between the council, the Department of Health and the British Heart Foundation.

The majority of the women, some 18,000, are expected to Britain is to contribute more than £47 million towards a vaccination pro-

gramme aimed at eradicating polio by 2000. The grant will help to pay for a \$140 million project to treat children under five in India. which last year had more cases than the rest of the world put together. It is the largest single amount ever spent on immunisation by the Overseas Dev-

elopment Administration.

come from Britain, with the rest from other countries which have expressed an interest, including France, Germany, Australia, Ireland, The Netherlands and South Africa. Volunteers will be split into two groups, with half given HRT and the other half inactive pills that look the same. Treatment will be given for ten years and patients followed up for a further ten

years. The first results, on the

#### New anti-ulcer drug brings NHS relief



HUNDREDS of doctors who specialise in the diseases of the digestive tract have gathered in Paris this week for their

annual meeting.
One small advance in the treatment of indigestion will be as welcome to Treasury officials as it is to the sufferers, and their doctors. Knoll, which bought Boots Pharmaceutical last year, has introduced Protium pantoprazole, a new anti-ulcer drug which is appreciably cheaper than oth-

ers of its type. The cost to the NHS of million is spent on indigestion medicines of one sort or another.

Forty years ago, a bottle of medicine for indigestion cost. at most, a penny or two. The doctor took a liberal portion of one of the white antacid powders then available, mixed it with water, told the patient to take it three times a day and hoped for the best. Short of surgery, this was about all medicine had to offer to relieve the crippling pains which could be caused by peptic ulceration or the spilling of the

stomach contents into the low er end of the gullet.

There have been great advances in the treatment of peptic ulceration. H2 receptor antagonists, such as Tagamet, Zantac and other similar preparations have revolutionised treatment. More recently, proton pump inhibitors, such as Losec and Zoton, have been introduced and are even more .. The cost, however, of ensur-

ing that the nation's sufferers

from indigestion do not have their nights ravaged by acute my patients were given in Negfolk during the 1950s has Negfolk during the 1900s was now, if the patients are wise and the doctors generous with funde been replaced by Losec. But the cost to the NHS of this nightly tablet is £35 to £45 a month. Protium will cost £29.76 a month. Indigestion is a major cost to the NHS doctors are consulted about it

more than 14 million times a

DR THOMAS

effects of HRT on the incidence of heart disease and stroke, are expected in 2012.

HRT is now a very common therapy prescribed to women who have reached the menopause. But the treatment, which involves replacing hormones no longer produced by the ovaries, has not been the subject of a major trial.

The co-ordinator of Wis-

dom, Dr Madge Vickers, said: "We are optimistic it will yield some extremely valuable answers to a host of questions about the implications of HRT for women's health."

The scientific evidence on HRT is, so far, broadly reassuring. Women seldom devel-op heart disease before the menopause, a benefit generally attributed to circulating levels of hormones. Maintain ing those levels with HRT should cut the risk in older women, an effect confirmed by smaller trials.

HRT also appears to reduce the risk of the bone-thinning disease osteoporosis and, according to the most recent studies, delays the onset of Alzheimer's disease. A recent five-year study by doctors in Los Angeles estimated that women on HRT gained on average a five-year delay in Alzheimer's symptoms.

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evidence of a small increase in the risks of breast cancer and of blood clots in the legs. A study published last month in The Lancet showed that this risk was small -- an average of two cases a year for every 10,000 women on HRT.

Commenting on that find-ing, two Dutch doctors, Jan Vandenbroucke and Frans Helmerhorst from Leiden University, said that it was a reminder that oestrogen replacement was a therapy with side effects, albeit rare. Prescribing for purely preventive purposes, without clinical indications, should be underpinned by strong evidence of benefit," they wrote in The

The new trial, assuming it can recruit enough women, should be able to answer such needed because the effects to be measured are small.

HRT has been sold strongly by its proponents as a miracle menopause. That means that a lot of women are strongly motivated to opt for it as soon as menopausal symptoms begin. It may not be easy to persuade women who have visited their doctors already convinced that HRT will transform their lives to enter a trial in which they could find themselves spending ten years STUTTAFORD taking a placebo instead.





Frances Lawrence with Mandela, the family cat, and some of the letters of support. She will reply to them all

#### Headmaster's widow overwhelmed by support for manifesto of moral values

By CAROL MIDGLEY

THE widow of murdered headmaster Philip Lawrence said yesterday that she had been overwhelmed by the public's "energetic and imaginative" response to her manifesto to rid society of violence and restore civic values.

Frances Lawrence said: "I hoped my words might find an echo but I never imagined they would provoke a response on such a scale. I have been touched by the kind words and strengthened by the support expressed." Mr Lawrence was stabbed outside his school, St George's in Maida Vale, west London, last December.

Since The Times published Mrs Lawrence's manifesto, designed to keep her husband's own values alive and to tackle juvenile violence, politicians have taken up several of her proposals, including a ban on combat knives and an emphasis on teaching children citizenship. Letters and suggestions of support arrive daily.

"When I published my manifesto I was offering only tentative, personal thoughts which I hoped might stimulate others into action," Mrs Lawrence said, "I have been heartened to see how energetically and imaginatively others have risen to the challenge which confronts us all to tackle the causes of violence and heal our

fractured society. I hope soon to be able to deliver a considered response to the contributions of others and further thoughts about where we go from here."

Of the hundreds of people who have written to her, she said: "It will take me some time to read all the letters I have been sent. I am determined to respond to every letter but I hope those who have written will understand that I cannot reply to everybody as quickly as I would

Next month politicians, churchmen and school pupils will be invited to the unveiling of a memorial to commemorate the anniversary of Mr Lawrence's death.

#### RAF chaps resent press interest in female fliers

By MICHAEL EVANS

AN equality protest from men has landed on the desk of the RAF publicity machine, claiming their work is being ignored while women

The backlash was aimed at the Service's internal newspaper, RAF News, following articles about women fliers. Flight Lieutenant David Curtis, speaking on behalf of the Support Helicopter Force in Croatia, wrote from his base in Split: "Due to the increasing frequency of front-page articles indicating a bias to-wards reporting of female air crew doing what can only be described as their jobs, we

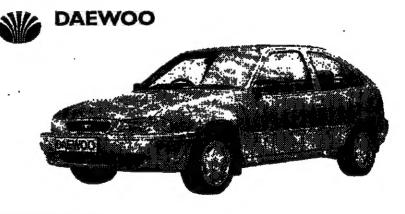
offer our newsworthy item.
Today an all-male crew reported for work on time. Despite the usual appalling weather conditions, the crew, who incidentally receive the same training as female air crew, managed to complete a full day's tasking. Such an achievement is yet another example of how men have managed to integrate themselves into today's equal op-portunities RAF."

He insisted that he was not slighting female aircrew. but hoped that RAF News would stop reporting every femalerelated occurrence as front page news". The newspaper replied: "Stories appear because they are newsworthy. For most of its history, the RAF has not had women in the cockpit. Inevitably there

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#### Election candidates lower the Union flag as they promise to widen gap with London and Brussels

# Independent isle nails three-legged colours to the mast

REPORTS BY IAN MURRAY, COMMUNITY CORRESPONDENT

ON THE windswept island where the parliamentary sys-tem began over 1,000 years ago, a general election campaign is under way that will return a Government committed to loosening ties with Westminster and Brussels.

Voters on the Isle of Man can choose between 47 candidates for the 24 seats in the House of Keys. As befits so fiercely independent a people, almost all the candidates are standing as independents. The difference between them is reflected by the extent they each want to sever the links that bind the ancient Crown

Although only half the 71,000 residents were born on the island, the sense of national identity and self-confidence is keeping pace with the boom that has transformed the tax haven's economy over the past decade. With the mushrooming of financial service industries has come skilled jobs. Instead of the most gifted young people leav-ing the island to work abroad, they can now look forward to a career at home. This young. well-educated and articulate group are pushing the politiians to loosen the ties.

Although the large majority



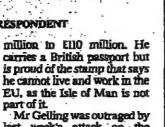
post of Chief Minister

to the Queen, they prefer to call her Lord of Mann. Flagpoles put up to fly Union flags now flaunt the red banner of and 1,500 children are starting

typified by Donald Gelling, 58, Treasury Minister since 1989 and hot favourite to take over as Chief Minister after the election. He has cut taxation. doubled public spending and

than Westminster's." David Cretney, 43, leader of

He does not like Brussels



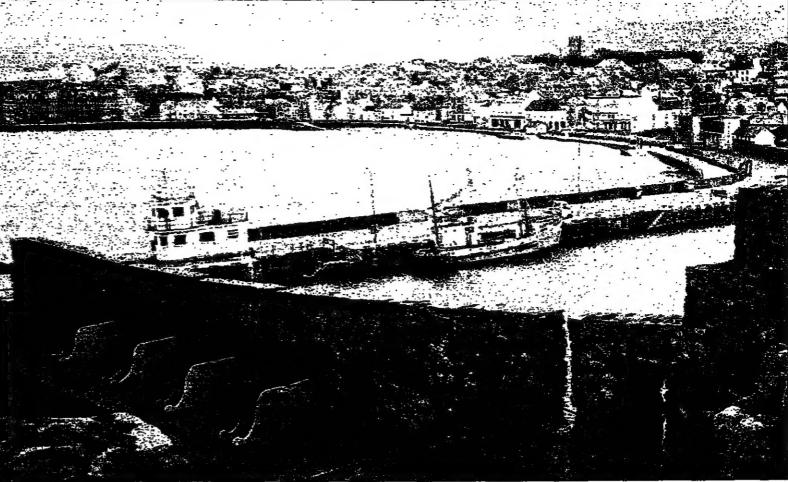
Mr Gelling was outraged by ast week's attack on the George Foulkes, the Labour overseas development spokes-man. "They just don't under-stand how this economy works," he said. "If they took our right to control our taxes away we would end up in

poverty."
As Chief Minister, he would keep the island on its steady. increasingly independent course. Links with Britain he sees as a kind of necessary evil to give island goods a backdoor entrance to European

The outgoing Chief Minis-ter, Miles Walker, 55, is step-ping down after ten years in charge. He hopes to hold his seat and promises he will have more time for his constituents. represent my community and I am not forced to vote with a party. That is what makes our democracy so much better

the Manx Labour Party - it is not affiliated to the UK Labour Party - and junior Tourism Minister, is just back from a meeting of the International Motorcycle Federation in Bangkok, where he successfully argued against a move to ban the island's TT races on ground that the course is too dangerous. Mr Cretney, who crashed at nearly 90mph on his Honda three years ago in the amateur race, said: This is the finest motorcycle event in the world and we don't want outsiders interfering with the way we run it."

interfering with the way the economy is run, either. Alment with the UK to levy the same VAT rates. The UK sets its rates according to EU



The old world charm of Peel harbour, on the Isle of Man's west coast, contrasts with the boom in high-tech and financial service industries

imperatives that have nothing to do with us." Mr Cretney said. "We are being forced to obey the dictates of Brussels without having any say in the

His views coincide with those of Edgar Quine, 63, who retired as Deputy Commis-sioner of the Hong Kong Police 13 years ago and re-turned to his island birth-place. Ten years a member of the House, he will be challenging to become Chief Minister because he feels movement to loosen the ties with the UK is blindly," he said. "The UK Brussels and we have to suffer the consequences." He wants to remove the Home Office right to vet Manx law before it passes into the statute book.

Walter Gilbey, 61, is Manx by marriage and has lived on the island since 1974 and been a member of the House of Keys for 14 years. A former Tory county councillor, he is now fiercely independent and is standing on a law and order "God preserve the Isle of Man from the disas trous path of party politics," he

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special relationship with the European Union, allowing markets through the UK. But the island makes no financial contribution to, nor receives money from. EU funds.

It has Europe's first and only free port - a 20-acre site by the main airport at Ronaldsway where manufacturers can import raw naterials and export fin-

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There are no death duties, capital transfer or gifts taxes. capital gains tax or wealth tax. Unemployment is 3.5 per cent. Over 82 per cent of the ture, with 32,000 cattle, 57,000 poultry. Beef exports elected by the House.

although the island had just 12 cases of BSE this year.

Records show Tynwald, the island's Parliament, has been meeting since AD979 and claims to be the oldest legislature in the world in continuous existence. It makes its own fiscal and social policies but external the island's behalf by the UK Government. The legislature has two parts: the House of Keys, which has 24 members elected every five years; and

#### 'Stop overs' bank on a better future

JOE CALLAGHAN is ten are ready to stay," he says. In months old and has his own two years he will qualify for a offshore bank account. His father, Steve, 33, does not qualify yet but is delighted he moved his young family to the Isle of Man, where every baby born is entitled to one.

what islanders call a "stop over", an immigrant who carne to work and stayed to live. He arrived three years ago with his wife Andrea, 31, daughter Samantha, now 6. and son Jack, 3.

"I was attracted by the quality of life," he says. "There is a good education system, the health service works well and it is safe for the kids to play on the street. On top of that the scenery is wonderful." Steve hopes he has found a safe job in financial services

with a much better future than he had in Britain. "The natives are quite iriena you, especially after you buy your own house and show you

two years he will qualify for a permanent work permit. Then he intends to open his

Stuart Mason, 29, another Manx call a "come over" someone on a short contract who will return to Britain. "Underneath you can tell they prefer people who come here to work who are prepared to show long-term commitment

A further category is the "dragged overs", the spouses of Manx-born people persuaded by their partner to settle on the island.

These new categories of immigrants are outnumbering the dying breed of what are known locally as "when I's", the ex-colonials who used to retire to the island from foreign postings and sentence with "When I was

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#### Committee selected candidates from Who's Who in bungled selection procedure

# LSE fails to find a leader after two-year search

By DAVID CHARTER **EDUCATION CORRESPONDENT** 

A TWO-YEAR worldwide search has failed to produce a leader for one of Britain's most prestigious universities, leaving it rudderless at a crucial period in its history.

Governments all over the world have graduates of the London School of Economics in key positions and more than 50 MPs honed their leadership skills there. The LSE should be on a roll. It has been highly successful at attracting both cash-rich overseas students and research income. But, with the school facing an uncertain financial future and an election less than six

remains vacant. The LSE's image as an engine of Labour radicalism could not contrast more strongly with the bungled selection process. Snubbed by at least one candidate and unable to agree on an alternative, governors have turned to staff for ideas.

Officially, a field of 300 candi-dates has been whittled down to five and interviews are imminent, But academics were invited to an open meeting to suggest more names late

The school, fourth in the Times ranking of universities and famed for its vision, has suffered a series of embarrassing setbacks since Dr

parture as director. It failed in ambitious schemes to acquire London's County Hall and later St Bartholomew's Hospital, again abandoned an on-off flirtation with top-up fees for its students, and had to reopen the search for a director when Sir John Bourn, the head of the National Audit Office rejected the post two months after it had

been offered to him. The first search for a replacement for Dr Ashworth, who left in September to head the British Library, was a disaster. With no clear procedure, the 12-strong selection committee led by Sir Peter court of governors, reached its own shortlist by idiosyncratic means. According to insiders, members suggested various names which

were then looked up in Who's Who and accepted for more serious consideration if there were no

No formal interviews were arranged. Instead, the five shortlisted candidates were each invited to dinner at clubs selected by Sir Peter. None of the candidates was female. Baroness Blackstone, the master of Birkbeck College who studied for her Phd at the LSE, was suggested but later rejected, according to one

Out of this process - but not by

unanimous approval — emerged Sir-John's name. When he turned down the E125,000 job, a furious row broke out among the university's 100 governors. Sir Peter defended his procedure but it was reformed for the second search, with the committee cut from 12 to eight members. Their new shortlist is said to feature at least one woman but no

current LSE academics.

Again speculation has focused on Baroness Blackstone, as well as a former LSE lecturer, Dr Nick Stern. chief economist at the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development. Raymond Seitz, former American ambassador to London and a trustee of the National

Gallery, and Dr Alan Budd, an LSE adviser to the Treasury, have also been mentioned. One candidate who came close in the initial process, Dr Jeffrey Jowell, head of law at University College London, may also be back in the frame.

Dr Ashworth, a biologist in charge of Britain's leading social scientists, was never fully accepted. His advice to the new incumbent. "It is a highly political job with every size of capital P and every typography. People forget that although the abbreviation is LSE, the true title is the London School of Economics and Political Science. You forget political science at your peril."

#### New talks in bid to avert post strike

Leaders of the Communication Workers Union and Royal Mail managers were due to meet today for talks aimed at heading off disruption to the Christmas post. The two sides met for exploratory discussions over the weekend in an attempt to find a solution to the long-running dispute over pay, hours and working practices. Union members have voted to resume industrial action which could badly disrupt Christmas deliveries.

#### Birthday lottery

The National Lottery is to offer an estimated "Superdraw" jackpot of £20 million to celebrate its second anniversary on November 16. There have been two previous "Superdraws" — for £10 million. Lottery numbers, page 26

#### Ramblers protest

The Rambiers' Association has attacked a decision by the Forestry Commission to sell its lease on a 100-acre wood owned by the Church Commissioners. It says walkers have long had access to Hagg Wood in Dunnington. Yorkshire.

#### Officer sacked

A policeman has been dismissed for racially abusing and sexually harassing female colleagues. PC Tony Worrall, of Marsh Lane Police Station. Bootle, Liverpool, is expected to appeal against the disciplinary hearing's decision.

#### Dig for history

An aircraft enthusiast is to dig An aircraft enthusiast is to dig up a road in Hove, East Sussex, this week to identify a Second World War fighter. Keith Arnold, 45, believes it is the Hurricane of Sgt Dennis Noble of 43 Squadron, who died when it crashed in 1940.

#### Woman on fire

A woman set her berself on fire after dousing herself with petrol from a pump at a garage in Salisbury. The woman, 38, from Lymington, lampshire was critical but stable with 40 per cent burns to her face and legs.

#### Birds go hungry

A shortage of natural food will lead to millions of birds depending on human help this winter. Andy Gosler, Oxford University ornithologist, pre-dicts an invasion of gardens because beech trees have produced a poor seed crop.

#### Tree kills two

A woman and a seven-yearold boy were killed when a tree fell on their car at Ballyclare, Co Antrim. Police said that another child in the car escaped injury. The woman and boy died at the scene of the

Ashington, Northumberland.

# Military camps will become prisons to ease overcrowding

By RICHARD FORD, HOME CORRESPONDENT

TWO disused military bases are to be opened as prisons in ing and cope with a jail population increasing by between 300 and 250 a week.

The Prison Service is planning to house 300 inmates in a former air force base at Scampton in Lincolnshire before Christmas and is looking for another site to hold a further 500 prisoners. Final negotiations over the conversion of the base to a prison are underway but the Prison Service has already earmarked Chris Davidson, a senior gov-ernor, to run the emergency accommodation.

The final details to be agreed include whether the strengthened perimeter fence is to be patrolled by military personnel and if the Prison Service is to purchase the base for long-term use as a jail.

The Prison Service is proposing to use Scampton and the other site for at least two years while it awaits places being provided by six new prisons, currently under construction or planned. Stephen Shaw, director of the Prison crowding and idleness, which the service thought it had put December. The units will hold

journey of

discovery

without which

The Government is braced for a defeat in the High Court this week on how the Prison Service calculates the length of time offenders with concurrent sentences stay in jail. At present time spent on remand for the dominant sentence is taken off the overall sentence but the court is expected to rule later this week that time spent on remand for each sentence should be taken off. Officials believe fewer than 100 prisoners would be freed with 200 sentences

behind it have now returned to many institutions."

reduced.

With the prison population at a record 57,833 on Friday. the emergency use of military bases is the latest in a series of measures aimed at ensuring that the service does not have to put three inmates in cells designed for one, or resort to the expensive alternative of

holding them in police cells. It has bought four prefabricated units which will be Reform Trust, said: "Over- installed at open and low

a total of 160 inmates. One thousand extra places have been provided by putting two prisoners in cells designed for solo occupancy in some train-ing and local jails.

The rapidly escalating pris-on population means that spending on the 135 jails in England and Wales will rise from £1.4 billion in 1996-97 to El.43 billion in 1998-99. Projections made in September by the Home Office show that the jail population will rise to 59,600 by the end of March next year and to 63,100 by March 1998."

The Home Office memorandum for MPs added that some prisoners' regimes would be rising population. Between April and August this year prisoners spent an average 24.8 hours a week in purpose ful activity, below the target of 26.5 hours, and an average three hours a day on educa-tion compared with 3.2 hours

☐ Brendan O'Friel, governor of Strangeways jail in Manchester at the time of the riot, and Andrew Barclay. governor of Whitemoor jail when five IRA terrorists es-





#### A model cast for £6m Gospel epic some of the people behind the successful

AN EPIC film of the Gospels is moving towards completion at the rate of four seconds a day, but there is no doubt that all the leading figures are just made for

The world's largest model animation project is aiming to put The Jesus Story into cinemas in 1998, and on television for the millennium. The £66.5 million British and Russian co volves scale models of 55 Holy Land caped, have both retired early. | locations built at Moscow studios and

240 character models whose movements are shot frame by frame.

The voices will be provided by actors including Ralph Fiennes as Jesus, Richard E. Grant as John the Baptist, David Thewiis as Judas, Bob Peck as Joseph of Arimathea, Miranda Richardson as Mary Magdalene, William Hort as Jairus and Ian Holm as Pilate.

artnership bel British Screen, S4C, and the Russian animators Christmas Films involves

animation. Testament, now being screened on BBC2. Flashbacks and parables will be drawn in Cardiff. Leading deries were consulted about

the script. Chris Grace, director of animation at S4C, said the timing was perfect: "There is an upsurge in interest in moral and family values. And as the life of Jesus will be intense. It is a big

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#### Ruling will end holiday insurance price 'catch'

By Harvey Elliott, travel correspondent

COMPULSORY travel insurance, which can often add up to 20 per cent to the cost of a holiday, must be clearly shown in all future advertisements, the Advertising Standards Authority has ruled.

It has produced a six-point code which will be automatically incorporated into the ABTA code of conduct. The move follows complaints by consumer groups and holidaymakers that they were often being tricked into paying far more for their holiday than they had thought.

If a holiday is subject to compulsory insurance, the

typical cost must be stated. The ASA says that future prices must say, for example: "One week holiday in Paris £269 - plus insurance, typically £32 per person."
The typical insurance cost

must also be sufficiently prominent that it will be easily seen by a reader. A typical insurance cost should be the premium payable by a person in good health between the ages of 18 and 65, it says.

Advertisers may be able to quote prices inclusive of compulsory insurance, but this must be clearly stated. So far, there has been no move to

force airlines to include departure taxes in their headline prices, now being widely advertised. But Nigel Griffiths. the Shadow consumer affairs spokesman, made clear to ABTA this week that a Labour government would take action

on the issue.

The headline figure should reflect the price paid," he said. The headline price used in adverts and promotions must be accurate. The Office of Fair Trading must tackle this, I certainly intend to if I become the minister. Customers are entitled to have the whole cost spelt out when they pre-pay."

Pit wedding

Helen Scott, 32, whose father died of the injuries he suffered in a pit accident when she was only three years old, married as a tribute to him in the winding room of the disused Woodhorn Colliery in

#### Driver hit by concrete regains consciousness

THE motorist critically in-jured when a concrete block thrown off a motorway bridge smashed through his windscreen has regained consciousness and spoken to his family: Simon Willmott, 22, who sustained severe head and chest injuries in the accident 17 days ago, opened his eyes to see his parents, who had spent most of the time at Mr Willmott, who was driv-

ing from his job as a salesman with Nynex in Bournemouth. Dorset, to his home in Bagshot, Surrey, when he was hit, is still in intensive care. A spokesman for the Royal Brompton Hospital, west London, said it was hoped that he would soon be taken off the critical list. The fact that he

has regained consciousness is a good sign but we do not want to build up people's hopes too much. He still has a long way to go," said the spokesman. A £5,000 reward has been offered for information leading to the conviction of the culprits.





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# Rifkind tells Israel all settlements on Arab land 'illegal'

FROM MICHAEL BINYON IN HEBRON

MALCOLM RIFKIND yesterday sent a blunt message to Israel by reaffirming that Britain believes all Israeli settlements in the occupied territories to be illegal. The Foreign Secretary also restated the importance to the entire Middle East peace process of a resolution of the settlement

The failure of the Hebron negotiations would be bad news for the Palestinians and Israelis working for peace," Mr Rifkind said at a press conference with Musiafa Natshe, Hebron's Palestinian Mayor. Ministers of the Palestinian Authority and other West Bank Mayors were also

Mr Rifkind's forceful emphasis on the illegality of the settlements, both in Hebron and elsewhere, while he was so close to the one in the heart of the city underlined Britain's fundamental disagreement

Jerusalem: The Queen has to make a state visit to Britain, the first since the creation of Israel in 1948, officials said. David Levy. the Israeli Foreign Minis-ter, announced the invitation after talks with Malcolm Rifkind. (AFP)

The Foreign Secretary was at pains to emphasise that Britain, France and other European countries spoke with one voice over the settlements. "We are all seeking success in the peace process. he said, adding that a Palestined. "It is an option which must be available.

But, he said, only the Palestinians and the Israelis could determine the success or failure of the peace process. Without Hebron, the peace process was rhetoric, he said. With Hebron, it begins to

Mr Rifkind was forced by

#### Peace team general sacked by Netanyahu

FROM CHRISTOPHER WALKER IN JERUSALEM

right-wing Government and the military leadership intensified yesterday after Binyamin Netanyahu, the Prime Minister, removed the general in charge of the negotiating team with the Palestinians because a newspaper exposed his secret contacts with leaders of the defeated Labour Party.

Shimon Peres, the former Labour Prime Minister, described the suspension of Major-General Oren Shahor as "an unprecedented scandal . He claimed his meetings with the general were informal and did not require government approval.

Blaming the Likud Government for creating "divisions and hatred" among the Israeli people, Mr Peres, the leader of the opposition Labour Party, added: "This Government

STRAINS between Israel's breaks all the norms of a democratic government. General Shahor is an honest man. He did not meet me to give me information. I do not need information.

> Mr Netanyahu defended the suspension: "We are talking about an officer - I think is a unique situation who was making contacts with the heads of parties

On Saturday night, more than 100,000 people gathered at a raily in the Tel Aviv square where Yitzhak Rabin was shot down a year earlier. The demonstrators carried banners saying: "Peace is his

legacy". Hours later Natan Sharansky, former Soviet dissident and a minister in the Cabinet, called on the Government to prepare the people for a new war with Syria.

Rover. The security fears were quickly justified when youths on the outskirts of Hebron threw a large rock at the accompanying press bus. A window was smashed but nobody was hurt.

Earlier, Mr Rifkind spoke of the "grave concern" in Britain and the international community over the faltering peace process, and gave Israel a clear warning that it still had much to do in order to regain trust and rebuild confidence after the deterioration that had marked recent months.

Speaking after a meeting with David Levy, the Israeli Foreign Minister, he said that he believed peace would only come to the region if Israel and the Palestinians and Israel and her Arab neighbours negotiated directly. "The proper role of the international community is to assist all those who are genuinely working

He also said "words must be matched by deeds", adding that there was a real prospect of agreement on Hebron, but this should not be a final step "but the beginning of what could be a renaissance of the

peace process". The Foreign Secretary made clear that Britain saw it as essential for the Israeli Government to move on to the rest of the interim agreement and final status talks with the Palestinians.

The Foreign Secretary said he was deeply concerned by the severe economic problems the Palestinians were facing, and urged Israel to do more to speed aid to the Palestinians by way of granting free passage and co-operating with international organisations. His call followed criticism last week by Baroness Chalker of Wallasev, the Overseas Development Minister, that Israel had unnecessarily held up the work of the United Nations Relief and Welfare Agency.

Mr Rifkind also visited Binyamin Netanyahu, the Prime Minister, and President Weizman. He was later meeting Yassir Arafat. President of the Palestinian Authority



A man sits in morning sunshine at a bomb-damaged school in Kabul

#### Iraq rejects American claim of missile attack in 'no-fly' zone

FROM MICHAEL THEODOULOU IN NICOSIA AND MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON

IRAQ yesterday denied a White House statement that a US warplane enforcing a "nofly" zone over southern Iraq had fired a missile at one of its radar sites. It said no incident of any kind had taken place and the "false news" was designed to boost President Clinton's re-election chances.

An Iraqi Foreign Ministry spokesman also insisted Iraq was still committed to a decision it made in September not to fire at American, British and French warplanes patrolling northern and southern Iraq, although he repeated Baghdad's long-standing position that the "no-fly" zones were illegal.

The Iraqi assurances sug-gested that President Saddam Hussein was not about to engage in eleventh-hour mili-

tary brinkmanship with President Clinton before tomorrow's elections, although Iraqi challenges in the future are inevitable, diplomats said. State-run Iraqi newspapers yesterday continued to fume at last week's US-brokered ceasefire between Iraq's two main Kurdish factions, pre-

dicting it would fail. Iraq has not challenged American warplanes since September, when the United States attacked southern Iraq with cruise missiles and extended the southern "no-fly" zone to punish Baghdad for sending forces into a Kurdish "safe" area. Iraq at first defied the move by vowing to shoot

down allied planes. The Pentagon insisted that an American Flo warplane had fired a missile at an Iraqi

radar installation. The Fl6's pilot had fired the missile because he believed the radar had locked on to his plane while he was patrolling the zone over southern Iraq, the Pentagon added.

However, it was not immediately able to say whether the plane had been targeted specifically or whether the radar site was destroyed.

Baghdad: Three United Nations oil experts left Iraq yesterday after inspecting the country's oil facilities for possible implementation of a de-

layed oil-for-food deal with the

world body, a UN source in

Baghdad said. They checked the Iraqis' metering equipment and oil facilities to see whether they can handle ex-ports, required under the oil

# Afghan allies to target Taleban strongholds

Afghan Government are preparing to bring the war into Taleban bastions across the country in an attempt to break the six-week deadlock in the siege of Kabul.

Ğeneral Abdul Rashid Dostum, the ruler of Afghanistan's northern mini-state, is infiltrating arms and men into the countryside around the western city of Herat. which was captured by the Taleban militia last year.

Abdul Karim Khallili. the leader of an ethnic army of Shia Muslims that has joined General Ahmed Shah Masood, the ousted Defence Minister, is preparing to open up a third front to the west of Kabul in an effort to weaken Taleban's grip on the city. Six of General Dostum's

MiG23 fighters have been seen at Mazar-i-Sharif airbase armed with air-to-air missiles. provoking speculation that they are preparing to take on Taleban warplanes in the air and even bomb the Taleban capital of Kandahar in the south of the country. However, despite a colossal bombardment by the combined forces of General Massood and General Dostum, the Taleban Sunni Muslim mili-Kabul's strategic Dehsaba's Pass in the northeast and the Khair Khang Pass to the

The Masood-Dostum alliance inflicted two severe beatings on Taleban during the beavy fighting at the mouth of the Panishir Valley and around Bagram airbase. Its forces have also captured vital territory on the two northern approaches to the city. But ey have failed to dislodge the Taleban fighters from their stronghold in the hills. Opening a new front in Herat is intended to streich Taleban forces to breaking point. Ismael Khan, the former Governor, lost the city to Taleban largely because his fighters deserted when he failed to pay their wages. He is now anxious to take on Taleban and regain his power with Gener-al Dostum's backing.

Taleban is hated in Herat, a Iran, where it has imposed the

FORCES loyal to the former in Kabul. Local hostility is so great that Taleban has had to patrol the city in groups in an attempt to deter attacks from civilians.

Reports about the fighting in neighbouring Badghis Province are confused, Generai Dostum's forces claim significant advances against Taleban. But French and South African journalists vis-iting a so-called safe area said they were fired on by Taleban

General Dostum, whose portrait hangs over the gates of his home town of Sherberghan, is being courted by Pakistan, the paymaster of the Taleban insurrection. Islamabad wants him to make a pact with Mullah Muhammad Omah, the one-eyed leader of the Taleban militia. But so far General Masood's alliance with General Dosrum has held firm."

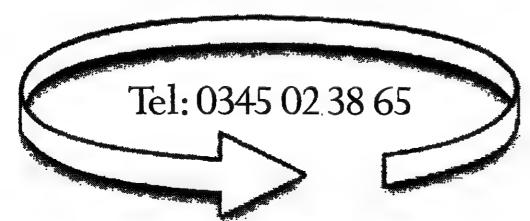
General Masood's estimate ed 12,000 fighters are being paid \$4 (£2.50) a month with a bonns of \$4 every time they go into battle. The war is costing the general \$48,000 a snorth in wages alone. He cannot General Dostum precipitat-

ed the downfall of President Najibullah, the former Mos-cow-backed leader, by switching sides to the Mujahidin in 1991. He has since swapped his general's uniform for a smart Western suit in an attempt to jettison his image as a pro-communist warlord But General Dostum has changed sides many fimes and could easily do so again



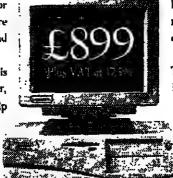
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# French press for intervention to save fleeing Hutus

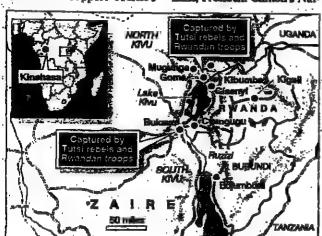
By Ben Macintyre in paris and Michael Evans

FRANCE yesterday called on the rest of Europe to prepare for intervention in eastern Zaire as Paris confirmed it was considering plans to open "humanitarian corridors" to help a million Hutu refugees to escape the ethnic fighting. We are already pre-positioning supplies, food, water,

shelter and clothing. But France cannot act alone. Everyone in other European capitals must now start preparing to act as soon as the opportunity arises. Xavier Emmanuelli, the French Secretary of State for Humanitarian Aid, said.

In London last night, there appeared to be no great enthusiasm either at the Foreign Office or the Ministry of Defence to support France's appeal. Although France and Britain have talked in the past ing effort for the African

interests at this stage werefocused solely on the need to help the Africans "to help themselves" in meeting the latest humanitarian crisis. Despite ominous warnings of a bloodbath, there were no moves either by European Governments to intervene to set up safety zones for the



of a possible joint peacekeepcontinent, London appeared to he reluctant to get involved in a humanitarian mission that

involves deploying troops.

Foreign Office officials made it clear that Britain's

In Washington, the White Flouse disclosed that Anthony Lake, President Clinton's National Security Adviser, had met President Chirac in Paris to discuss ways to resolve the crisis in Zaire. A spokeswoman said the Administration was making an "all-out-effort to assist in resolving the umanitarian crisis". Unfolding France's prop als, M Emmanuelli said the

EU should intervene under a mandate either from the United Nations or from African heads of state who meet tomorrow to discuss the situation in Zaire. Hervé de Charette, French Foreign Minister, contacted Boutros Boutros-Ghali,

the UN Secretary-General, Jacques Santer, President of the European Commission and Dick Spring, the Foreign Minister of Ireland, current holder of the EU presidency. "to discuss how the international community can reply to the urgency of the humanitarian drama" in Kivu province. France sent troops to stop

fighting in Rwanda two years ago, but faced subsequent accusations that Paris was merely seeking to advance French Interests in the region. While M Emmanuelli emphasised the need for a

combined European approach to the humanitarian crisis, one senior government adviser said that France should intervene alone. "I am suggesting a unilateral French operation



Rwandan Hutu refugees waiting for biscuits distributed by aid workers at Mugunga camp, west of Goma

capacity in Africa," Gérard Prunier, the academic who advised France on the largely successful Operation Turquoise in 1994, said. M Prunier said the French Army

a safe passage west, deeper into Zaire, for the refugees. We may have to forget about the rest of Europe and the UN because it will take too long,"

mounting on the South African Government to halt arms exports to Rwanda, whose invading troops captured the strategic city of Goma in Zaire

calls for the arms deals to be suspended. President Mandela has defended his Government's decision to sell arms

sador to Zaire, joined in the

Mobutu may have to leave Switzerland Government, angered by the brutal

> Swiss banks, most of it hived off profits from diamond and copper mines in

#### lz killed in Kashmir gunbattles

Srinagar: Fifteen rople were killed and 25 house burnt down during gunbales between Muslim extremist and Indian troops in Kashmir at the weekend.

Police reported that militants fighting for an independent state shot dead five people, including two police commandos, in an ambush in Shopian, 30 miles south of this summer capital. The others killed in the attack were a civilian and two relations of a pro-India Muslim politician. The police said three militants and two civilians were killed in another gunbattle between Indian troops and militants in the northern Baramulla district overnight. (AFP)

#### Cambodian deal for rebel faction

Phnom Penh: Breakaway Khmer Rouge commanders have agreed to merge their force of up to 4,000 fighters with Cambodian government forces on Wednesday, both sides said. Meanwhile.King Norodom Sihanouk has asked Khieu Samphan, the Khmer Rouge leader, for details about the fate of Christopher Howes, the British mine-clearance expert abducted more than six months ago. (Reuter)

#### Nicaragua poll results delay

Miami: Two weeks after its national elections, Nicaragua still awaits the official results amid growing tension and fears of political instability (David Adams writes). The left-wing Sandinista Party. trailing a long way behind the Liberal Alliance in the vote count, claims that the elections were marred by widespread irregularities.

#### Blow to Bhutto

Labore: A Pakistani court reinstated the chief minister of Puniab, whose dismissal in September 1995 was recommended by Benazir Bhutto, the Prime Minister. The Lahore court gave Manzoor could muster a majority in the provincial assembly. (Reuter)

#### Vengeance catches up with Rwandan genocide gangs

From Sam Kiley in gisenyi on the rwanda-zaire border

A RWANDAN army border bodies in the camp. There are lots of dead militia and Zairean soldiers down there." On a ridge above, a river of miserable humanity flowed north yesterday, past the foot of Goma's Nyanranguago vol-cano. The thick black ling of

Rwanda border. As the border guard forced the driver to turn around, Zairean rebels drove into Rwanda in a pick-up com-mandeered from the international Committee of the Red Cross and disappeared into a

Rwandan army camp. The incident contradicted the tlains of Rwanda's spokesman. Wilson Ndahiro, who yesterday that nettier training nor weapons given to eastern

Zaine rebel groups.
The dead militiamen referred to by the border guard. ... Ndahiro. "There is no need for were members of the Interahamve, Rwanda's extremist thugs responsible for the 1994 Tutsi robel uprising in Zaire's North and South Kivu prov-

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inces has led to the deaths of his Government's enemies. Emma Bonino, the European Union's Humanitarian

Commissioner, called yesterday for international military INVERVENIGO ID maniturian corridors". But her call was dismissed by Dr intervention. We need to get across to the refugees that they must come home," he said.

quo of the past two years and we would not get involved."

AS SEVERAL hundred thousand refu-

gees crammed into a bay on Lake Kivu in Zaire yesterday. President Mobutu enjoyed a splendid view on a bright autumn day of the French Alps across But the ailing Zairean leader's stay in a

FROM PETER CAPRLLA

lakeside hotel in Switzerland may not President, who is undergoing treatment for prostate cancer at Lausanne's Univer-

sity Hospital after surgery in August, bas a visa that is renewable every month. Before it was last granted on October 24, there were rumours that the Swiss Government would discreetly decline to renew it for a third time.

Now, the justice minister of the local canton, which also has a say in visa applications, and the Mayor of Lausanne, have added to the growing domestic criticism of their embarrassing Savigny, a nearby village, which is move on to his other retreat on the valued at about £1 million. But the Swiss French Riviera.

suppression of unrest in Zaire three years ago, had made it clear that regular visits would be unwelcome. The Zairean leader is said to have several million pounds in German and

Shaba Province. If President Mobutu is discreetly advised to avoid the cold Alpine weather

#### China picks His view was partly en-dorsed by the charity, Care genoride of almost a million **Hong Kong** Tursis and Hutu moderates. Imemational. Allison Camp-bell. Care spokeswoman in Gisenyi, said: "Military inter-They had been using the refugees was visible from four refugee camps in Zaire as bases from which to attack kingmakers miles away across the Zaire-Rwanda and kill survivors and witnesses to their geno-cide. Dr Ndahiro would have vention would only be useful if FROM JONATHAN MIRSKY it were balanced with a magnet to draw the refugees back IN BONG KONG been pleased that a knock-on to Rwanda. It would be disastrous to return to the status effect of the Banyamulenge

CLOSELY supervised by senior Chinese officials, the Selection Committee was formed over the weekend in Peking to choose Hong Kong's first Chief Executive, who will succeed Chris Patten, the Governor, and the Provisional Legislative Council to replace the present wholly elected one on July 1, 1997.

With a handful of exceptions, and as expected, the new committee is made up of

reliable allies of China. Members of the Preparatory Committee, 150 people handpicked by Peking to establish the post-handover government, selected 340 candidates from a shortlist of 409 chosen by China, which had scrutinised a list of 5,000 who nominated themselves. Those chosen include all 86 members of the Preparatory Committee Selection Committee

Apart from the 340, 60 more Selection Committee members will be composed of the 26 Hong Kong members of China's National People's Congress and 34 Hong Kong members of a Peking-based advisory body, the People's Political Consultative Conference. Of the 69 excluded from the original 409, most are either democratically inclined or had little previous experience on other committees approved by China.

present an immediate probem to Mr Patten. They are Vincent Cheng and Raymond Chien, both members of his inner Cabinet, the Executive Council. By agreeing to help to select the Provisional Legislative Council next month, they fly in the face of official government policy that the body is virtually illegal and that no member of government may co-operate with it. The Selection Committee is

Three of those chosen

richest tycoons. Meanwhile, more than 1,000 local people marched through central Hong Kong yesterday, protesting against last week's 11-year jail sentence imposed in Peking on Wang Dan, the leading dissident

dominated by Hong Kong's



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## Presidential contenders criss-cross America in frenetic final round of campaigning

# Clinton targets his appeal on voters' hearts, not minds

FROM BRONWEN MADDOX IN NEW ORLEANS

PRESIDENT CLINTON has told Americans from California to the Atlantic coast that he has been on the last weekend of the last campaign of his life. As the clock ticks towards the opening of the polls tomorrow morning, Mr Clinton is relentlessly criss-crossing the nation, travelling to a new state every four hours in pursuit of the second term that no Democratic President since Franklin Roosevelt has achieved.

He last slept in his White House bed on Tuesday night: by the time the polls close, he will have visited 16 states, 18 cities and travelled 7,000 miles. Each time Air Force One is airborne, he and his aides gather around its meet-ing room table to study the opinion polls and squeeze more visits into the timetable. At each stop, the President gets a change of shirt: at every second city, a change of suit. light-coloured for the bright morning sun, and dark for the

floodlit evening rallies.

The punishing schedule on Saturday began in San Antonio's Texan heat; he dropped in on his home town of Little Rock. Arkansas, in the early afternoon, and reached New Oricans at sunset, finally landing in Florida early yesterday. Just four hours later.



Clinton: simple message

early church service, then crossed the state to West Palm Beach and swung up the coast Massachusens and Maine. Today, in an unbroken 23hour sweep, he will visit New Hampshire, Ohlo, Kentucky, Iowa and South Dakota, arriving in Little Rock at dawn

In Texas he was carrying his campaign into a Republican stronghold. In front of the Alamo, the monument to Texan independence from Mexico 130 years ago, he proclaimed that in the last hours before the election what would count in voters' minds "is not evidence but attitudes -- it's not about the mind but about the heart". His speeches are dramatically simplified from the

But in the course of each day he repeats only a handful of phrases and the local touch is unfailing. In Little Rock, "it's good to be home and thank you for coming out to say. 'Hi' ". In San Antonio "in 1992 when I came here with Hillary, I ate about \$200 of that mango ice cream (from a wellknown local restaurantl and I've got a little to take with me today". It is a measure of his confidence that his final visits are targeted to help crucial congressional candidates as weil as himself, in New Orleans, on the banks of the Mississippi, with his voice hoarse in the freezing wind, he urged voters to back Democratic candidates across the

However, despite the effort, these flying visits in the last hours are a risky gamble; they drum up more support, but the massive organisation needed to receive his retinue will divert local volunteers' efforts away from the task of

urging people to go to vote.

The military-style logistics are working: early yesterday after 19 hours and 1,500 miles. the presidential cavalcade was only seven minutes behind schedule. It will be clear tomorrow whether the election itself has run to the White

Peter Riddell, page 22



An indefatigable Bob Dole greets supporters through a backstage curtain after a rally in St Louis, Missouri, on Saturday during his round-the-clock campaign trip

# Dole comes out fighting in the Las Vegas ring

FROM TOM RHODES IN LAS VEGAS

IT WAS as if the neon lights, slot machines and early morning card sharps had given Bob Dole a sudden new energy. At 2.30am yesterday, standing inside a mock boxing ring in Las Vegas, the Republican candidate finally found his

In the face of extreme adversity and 41 hours into his round-the-clock four-day marathon campaign tour for the American presidency, the clean-shaven and freshly suit-

73-year-old positively bounced onto the stage in the ballroom of the MGM Grand. Gladys Knight had left

hours earlier and Kiss, the glam rock band, had finished their set long before his arrival, leaving a motley collection of leather, plat-form heels and face paint strangely wav-

ing banners for Dole. "I'll give you a little inside tip here in Las Vegas," he said. "Bet on Bob Dole."

Wayne Newton, the cabaret singer and promoter known as Mr Vegas, joked of President Clinton's Bridge Over Troubled Whitewater. The candidate was introduced as battling Bob Dole, the 1751b heavyweight from Russell. Kansas, known for his strong finishes. Two boxing gloves hung from a podium which, bearing the simple message "Honest Energy", at one stroke created a metaphor for the scandal-ridden presidency and Mr Dole's ability to knock it down in the final round. The music was from Rocky.

For the first time Mr Dole was grabbing headlines and appeared like a wizened jumping bean in a sea of exhausn. His wife, Elizabeth, looked worn; Robin, his daughter, was fighting the urge to drop. The assembled media could barely raise a smile as the various, metaphors tripped effortlessly from

Religious Right may thwart

had been a single half hour shower stop" in Detroit on Friday night. Everyone had slept amid dimmed lights on the brief flight between South Dakota and Colorado. Otherwise, the campaign had been a travel and hot meals.

"He must be getting showers up front or something," muttered one colleague from the New York Post. "The man hasn't been to bed since Thursday night and he's better than ever.

Although most remained sceptical about his chances tomorrow, and indeed viewed

as nothing short

of insanity, there

grudging re-

spect from even

die-hard liberals

among the rag-

6 I will give you a little inside tip here in Las Vegas. Bet on Bob Dole 9

> for 25 minutes, Mr Dole talked of President Clinton's recent campaign finance scandals, of returning power to the states and the people, restoring honour to the military and the White House. He even mentioned the disastrous first two years of the Clinton presidency, a useful target so often absent from

Dole on the stump. Liberated at last from the constraints of appearing as a Washington outsider, Mr Dole returned to the role he has always played best, that of legislative mechanic. He stumbled occasionally, was a little hourse and often blinded the audience with his inimitable barrage of Senate jargon. But there was also humour.

There is only one Bill ! want to veto and that's Bill Clinton," he announced to roars from the crowd. Califor nia, New Mexico, Arizona and Missouri lay ahead before the final arrival in his native town of Russell, Kansas, tomorrow, The final surge is probably not enough to win Mr Dole the

#### White House hopes of a landslide begin to crumble

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN WANHINGTON

PRESIDENT Clinton's hopes of winning a resounding mandate that would silence his critics in tomorrow's election appeared to be slipping. Conversely, the Republicans were growing increasingly confident

of retaining Congress.

There was little doubt Mr Chinton would be comfortably re-elected, but polls suggested the race had tightnt where he might fait

vote, If that happened, Mr Clinton. who achieved only 43 per cent in 1992, would be the first President to win twice without majority support.

A Reuter poll put Mr Clinton less than four points ahead, though two other polls still gave him doubledigit leads. Democratic sources acknowledged Mr Clinton's lead had slipped in the Republican South and Rocky Mountain states, but not in California and the Midwest on which his electoral strategy was sed, individual dolls showed Mr to achieve his personal goal of Dole now virtually level in Georgia, could increase their majority. It warning voters not to give the face run-offs on December 10 if they enough to be father to some, him from the winning at least 50 per cent of the Nevada and Vice-President Al identified 17 contests that could go Democrats Congress as well as the fail to achieve 50 per cent of the vote, grandfather to others. There absolute defeat.

Young otters desperately seeking new homes.

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Gore's Tennessee - all states Mr Clinton carried in 1992.

The tight race came after a week in which the President was battered over his party's solicitation of campaign donations from Asians. Ross Perot appeared to be benefiting from Mr Clinton's slippage, and the Texan billionaire is spending mil-

lions on a final advertising blitz. The congressional elections are much harder to call, but a New York Times survey suggested the Republicans should hold the Senate and

either way, eight for Republicanheld seats and nine for Democratic ones, but the Democrats must win

all but five to regain the Senate. To recapture the House of Representatives the Democrats must gain 18 seats. A Washington Post survey identified 38 Republican districts which the Democrats have a 50 per cent chance of winning, but also 29 Democratic seats where Republican

prospects were equally good.
In a desperate £2.5 million adver-

White House. The Christian Coalition vesterday distributed 45 million voter guides". Mr Clinton even visited his home state of Arkansas to dissuade it from electing its first Republican senator.

The unknown factors are the length of Mr Clinton's coat-tails and whether Mr Dole's dim prospects will depress Republican turnout. Control of the House may not be settled until next month. After late boundary changes, a court ruled that face run-offs on December 10 if they enough to be father to some, him from the ignominy of

"meet-and-greet" session with

Jill Docking, the Democrat

who hopes to succeed Bob

Dole as a senator for Kansas.

But I'll vote for Jill," she adds.

At her side, Roonie Sellers interjects: "I'll probably vote

for Bob Dole as President - it

would be a real shame for him

to lose Kansas at the end of his

career. But for the Senate, I'll vote for Jill."

if Mr Dole's Senate seat, the

basis of his life-long political career. were to fall to a

Democrat on the day he loses

the race for the White House,

as seems likely. But while Mr

Dole looks certain to carry his

home state in the presidential election, the bitter fight for his

Senate seat, which he resigned

The battle, which has split

Kansas Republicans, is also

watched keenly across Ameri-

ca. It will show whether the

conservative brand of Demo-

cratic policy which President

Clinton has made the core of

his campaign can reach across

Frog.

Most of the candidates' sites

offer stodgy publicity photographs and recycled policy speeches, although Beb

Dole's includes a crossword

puzzle with clues including "the name of the candidate's

in June, is a cliffhanger.

It would add insult to injury

#### **Arkansas** image to get clean-up

FROM QUENTIN LETTS

THE new Governor of Arkansas wants to "rehabilitate the state's image" after the damage it has sustained during the Clinton presidency and the

Whitewater affair. Governor Mike Huckabee. a Republican, will hold an unprecedented series of meetings and "intimate luncheons" with domestic and international opinion formers in New York this month to try to retrieve the Southern state's good name. Dumping the ethics question on President Clinton's doorstep, he said he wanted to show "that in this state we still believe in some old-fashioned values in doing what is right".

The Governor's move was unusual, for home states of Presidents seldom initiate criticism of their famous sons. First Ladies are invited back to open flower shows, and the President's name is given to streets and buildings.
In contrast, Governor

Huckabee said that the image of Arkansas during the Clinton years did not reflect truly its "natural beauty, hardworking people and good neighbours" or its "entrepre-neurial opportunity". It has not helped that several Arkansans in the Clinton adminis-



traditional party divisions, or whether the far Right and religious Right have the

weight to win elections. In theory. Sam Brownback, the Republican candidate. should be the odds-on favour-. ite to take the seat held for so long by his party. In the race for the other Kansas Senate seat the Republican, Pat Rob-erts, is well ahead. But as one of Newt Gingrich's revolutionaries, who entered the House of Representatives in 1994, Mr Brownback has a reputation as a far-right radical. He opposes abortion and gun control, and has courted religious groups such as the

Christian Coalition. In contrast Mrs Docking, a former stockbroker, is putting forward socially moderate, economically conservative prescriptions. She says that she admires Mr Dole for putting balanced budgets above all - until this year,

when he made tax-cutting the core of his election campaign — and criticises Mr Clinton for shifting "too far to the left" in the first two years of his presidency. She married into a prominent Kansas family her husband was the state's leutenant-Governor and her father-in-law the Governor.

To win, "I need cross-over Republicans", she says. Many Republican women have been alienated by Mr Brownback's support for cuts in environmental programmes and education, and by his stance on abortion and family values.

Mrs Docking is a formidable campaigner, warm and energetic. But she will have a tough fight. Mr Brownback, a young-looking 40, is also per-sonable and fluent in a highly-charged television de-bate with Mrs Docking on Wednesday, he insisted forcefully: "I am not extreme".

He also appears to have the advantage of more money. Above all, it is the influence of right-wing religious groups which may prove decisive. In Wichita, candidates associated with religious groups have taken over many political jobs at precinct and town level. Yesterday the Christian Coalition was bombarding churchgoers with leaflets in support of Mr Brownback. Its cash and formidable organisation

#### Cyberspace pranksters join the battle

FROM JAMES BONE IN NEW YORK

THE 1996 election will go down in history as the first US presidential contest waged in cyberspace and may wreak profound changes on future campaigns.

contenders. With an estimated 12 per This year every candidate from President Clinton to Dr cent of the American electorate now able to gain access to John Hagelin of the Natural the worldwide computer net-Law Party has his own web work, hundreds of sites have site -- as do some candidates who are not officially in the been set up to report on and ridicule the candidates. race, such as Fidel Castro, the Unabomber and Kermit the

Visionaries predict that the Internet - particularly the booming graphics portion known as the World Wide Web -- will transform American politics in the same way television did in the 1960s. Many hope the computer

network will promote a more

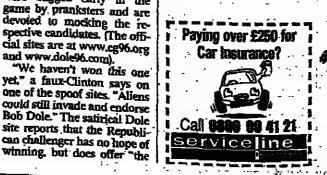
dog". Voters might be surparticipatory democracy. Becprised, however, if they try to ause of the low cost of the contact the Clinton campaign Internet, minor candidates on the obvious address of can reach the same number of www.clinton96.org or the voters online as the main Dole organisation as www.dole96.org.

Both Internet addresses were bagged early in the game by pranksters and are devoted to mocking the re-spective candidates. (The offi-

cial sites are at www.cg96.org and www.dole96.com).

"We haven't won this one yet," a faux-Clinton says on one of the spoof sites, "Aliens could still invade and endorse Bob Dole." The satirical Dole site reports that the Percentil site reports that the Republican challenger has no hope of

ultimate protest vote". There are pages devoted to Hillary Clinton's 320 known hairdos and the President's secret encounter with an extra-terrestrial Ross Perot is the target of an online magazine.



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Despite the attentions of Vickers and Cox, the Middlesbrough defenders, Beardsley manages to steer the ball home for his, and Newcastle's, second goal yesterday. Photograph: Ian Stewart

#### Captain celebrates 700th appearance by taking Newcastle to top of Premiership

# Beardsley retains lasting quality

Middlesbrough ...

BY ROB HUGHES PONTEALL CORRESPONDENT

THERE still is magic born and bred on the Type. As Newcastle United regained the leadership of the FA Carling Premiership before 36,577 impassioned spectators yesterday evening, the story re-volved not around the League

#### TOP OF TABLE

of Nations players remarkably drawn into an area once destitute, but around Peter Beardsley, playing his 700th

supported as a boy. He scored, almost inevitably, the first two goals: he was almost decapitated off the ball by Middlesbrough's energetic Brazilian, Emerson: and, nearing his 36th birthday, still with enthusiasm to burn, Beardsley managed to spot the ballboy the instant he opened the scoring with a penalty, to rush to him, to pass from father to son the love engrained in the Geordie. Yes, that lucky ballboy, was

Drew, his son. "I scored two on my 600th appearance as well. I wish these matches would come around more often," Beardsley said. "But it was a hell of a derby game, and you know that you have to win the battle first, then let football take over. Luckily, we overcame

Luck? What has that got to do with this tale? Beardsley's footballing career began more than 17 years ago in rejection; Gillingham and Cambridge United, for heaven's sake. thought this diminutive man would never have the tenacity for the game. His father, a long-distance lorry driver. kept insisting: "Don't worry Golden Feet, you'll make it." Beardsley captained Newcastle, the club he had supported as a boy. He seemed to be a supported to be a supported as a boy. He seemed to be a supported to er, Kevin Keegan, see as even

close to conclusion. When the man of the match said the battle had first to be won, he spoke with bruised reality. There was a high wind, and high temper, tug-

players. This was the Tyne-Tees affair, and when two such rivers meet, you can expect turbulence, indeed, such was the pride with which Middlesbrough crossed the county boundary, that the early ebb and flow was with

Emerson appeared like a magnet to the midfield skirmishing. In the sixth minute, as he charged towards Batty.

unconcerned about reputa-

tions, the Brazilian tried an inventive loop of the ball. Batty never saw it, the two cellided with a force that you could almost feel in the stands. Emerson was first to his feet but, like a boxer with delayed concussion, suddenly his legs buckled, he fell and felt for

blood in his left ear. Inevitably, Batty and Emerson were among the five bookings, but amid the fury, with Emerson the enduring folcrum of the team in red. there was also beauty. It came from the Brazilian as, breathtakingly, he managed to nutmeg Ferdinand while he was actually moving sideways. However, Emerson and Gary Willard, the referee, became the butt of crowd hostility after the player appeared to flatten Beardsley with an arm or an

elbow off the ball. But Beardsley, too, has powers of recuperation. In the fortieth minute, after Cox.

another of those booked,

fouled Ginola, Beardsley took admittedly, take the most willresponsibility for the penalty. He had missed his last one, against Ferencearos four days earlier; without a nerve end showing he smore this one high and straight past Walsh.

The penalty created a small furore, however, Cox admitted to his manager, Bryan Rob-son, that he dived in with the tackle, rather than attempt the customary excuse that Ginola dived to ground: the boot of the Middlesbrough back did.

> not have seen the huge grin on the Belgian's face. Almost in the same instance, the ball was cleared straight through the middle, Ferdinand flicked it on into space and, impishly and inevitably, Beardsley was homing in to score with an instant shot

ing leg in the Premiership.

The pulsating exchanges

had more than intemperance.

more than guile and effort and

beauty. It had sheer panto-

mime laced into it as well. In

the 69th minute Juninho, who

spent much of the game as a

left winger being tracked by

Gillespie, took on Albert, It

was fleeting and farcical; the

5ft 5in Brazilian squaring up

to the 6ft 3in Belgian. He must have addressed his anger

round about waist-high to

Albert and, therefore, could

inside the far post. Six minutes later Beardsley was hunting his hat-trick, but Walsh denied him with a deflection over the bar. From the corner, the ball was only half-cleared and fell to Lee. who unleashed a shot of power that deflected into the net off Vickers.

It took Newcastle's tally to 12 goals in their past three home games. We never got round to the slick passing we are supposed to be about."

Keegan said, "Physically, that is the hardest game we have had this season. Middlesbrough stand up to be counted, and we proved we can

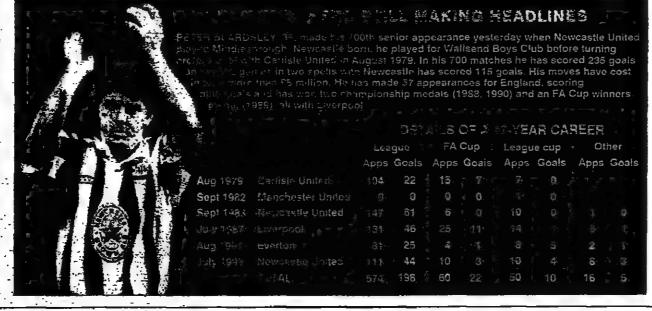
hantle and be resilient." Likewise Middlesbrough In the final flourishes they still refused to lie down. Juninho produced a shot that Smicek somehow sliced his shot up against the crossbar, even though he was standing virtually beneath it. Three minutes

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from time, though, the Dane made amends.

Ravanelli was, at that moment, standing irately over Ginola and, as they argued. Stamp — a home grown Teessider — produced the through ball for Beck to score. it deprived Newcastle of a clean sheet, but gave Middlesbrough a proper consolation. NEWCASTLE UNITED (3-5-2) P Smicel
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Ferdinand

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#### BBC must act to avoid Grandstand finish

ine days ago. Grandstand, the BBC's longrunning and muchloved Saturday afternoon
flagship, hit rock-bottom.
Pretty simple this afternoon,
a dejected-looking Steve Rider
said. "it's racing and snooker
all the way." He was right.
Racing and snooker it was, all
the way to Final Score. Many
more Saturdays like that and
Grandstand could soon be
going the same way as World
of Sport. Remember that—
racing and wrestling all the

way to Dickie Davies?

On Saturday, however,
Dougie Donnelly was able to
put a slightly braver face on
things. Sure, there was racing
— there always is racing — but
he also had a live international
and motor racing. Donnelly
looked suitably enthusiastic.
The only problem was that the
live international was netball

and the motor racing, the Formula Ford Festival from Brands Hatch, was, astonishingly, almost a fortnight old. There is a long tradition of

mocking netball which, apart from saying that I will be surprised if a zonal, non-contact sport with no running is quite the answer to the BBC's Saturday afternoon prayers, I do not intend to join. The international between England and Jamaica was live and Hazel Irvine and the organisers worked hard to turn the players into people.

Netball may be the wrong sport, but this approach has to be the right one if Grandstand is to survive. If other channels have bought up your crown jewels, you either give up or you get up off your corporate backside and go and make some more.

nat is exactly what



MATTHEW BOND
TV ACTION REPLAY

Eurosport plans to do if, as seems virtually certain now, it loses live coverage of Formula One next season. Rather than sulking, the satellite channel is throwing the might of its still rather limited resources behind IndyCar racing in the United States. The channel is sponsoring Mark Blundell, qualifying sessions will be shown live for the first time and Ben Edwards moves over from Formula One to be on site for every race, replacing the American commentary that the channel has taken

until now. If it does not work, it will not be for lack of trying. Compare and contrast that with the BBC's response to date to the loss of Formula. One to ITV. Formula Ford races are the perfect length for a programme such as Grandstand, with the semi-finals from the festival lasting less than 12 minutes and the final lasting only three or four minutes longer. All-too-limited highlights, with commentary provided by my colleague, Stephen Slater, showed just what good television it could

provide, given the chance. But it is not to be.

For, despite all sorts of rice young men popping up to enthuse about following in the tyre-marks of Irvine, Flerbert, Schumacher and Hill, the BBC apparently has no plans to extend its coverage of this Formula One training ground. For a sports department running out of live sport as fast as the BBC's is, this looks like an opportunity missed

To be fair, this apparent apathy is shared by Sky, which holds the rights to Formula Three coverage. Despite the massive growth of interest in Formula One in recent years, it, too, has no plans to move to live coverage of the British championship next year and will continue with highlights.

Several times last week, Sky.

showed a well-edited review of the season, which revealed that while Formula Three may not have the household names of the senior division, it offers a lot more in the way of commetting rating. This is

competitive racing. This is motor racing as it used to be. In a formight's time, you will wonder what I am on about. Between now and Christmas. Grandstand has some cracking live rugby union, thanks largely to the touring Australians. Then, before we know it, there will be skiing, a valedictory Five Nations' Championship, the Grand National, the Boat Race, cricket. Wimbledon. Suddenly all will be right with the BBC world.

Come next autumn, though, unless the BBC starts to make some positive and innovative plans now, Grandstand could be in all sorts of trouble.

SNOOKER

#### Ali pushes Pakistan to brink of last eight

BY PHIL YATES

SHOWKAT ALI, a Pakistani professional based in Accrington. Lancashire, can decide the fate of two nations when the round-robin phase of the World Cup is concluded in Bangkok today.

Ali, the world No 76, has

Ali, the world No 76, has been the mainstay of a Pakistan side that stands on the verge of the quarter-finals, provided that they enjoy a favourable result against the group C leaders. England

group C leaders. England.

Three more frame successes in the 7-2 triumph over China yesterday gives Ali. 26, an aggregate of seven wins from the nine frames he has contested. The England team, consisting of Nigel Bond, Peter Ebdon and Ronnie O'Sultivan, will provide substantially sterner opposition than China, the United Arab Emirates and the hosts, Thailand.

However, by securing five frames from the tournament's second favourites, the Pakistan team of Ali, Farhan Mirza and Saleh Mohammad will clinch the runner-up spot. Even a 9-0 victory for Thaland over the Emirates would not prevent their surprise elimination. Local pride has been sufficiently stung to warrant abusive calls to the Thai

media at the Amari Watergate Hotel venue.

"I thought we had a chance of reaching the quarterfinals," Ali said. "I was just a bit worried how my teammates would react to the pressure of the big occasion. So far, they've handled them-

selves very well."

The Northern Ireland trio of Dennis Taylor, Joe Swail and Terry Murphy breathed a collective sigh of relief when Belgium recovered from a 5-1 deficit to lose only 5-4 against New Zealand in a vital group

Mark Canovan lost the seventh frame to Bjorn Haneveer on the black, Daniel Haenga surrendered a 40-point advantage in the next while Dene O'Kane, the New Zealand captain, saw the ninth snatched from his grasp after missing a black off his spot when 48-12 ahead with only two reds remaining.

With Belgium on 17 points, having already completed their schedule, and Iceland out of contention. Northern Ireland have only to avoid losing 6-3 or worse, against New Zealand, who are on 13, today to finish second in the group and guarantee their progress to the quarter-finals. South Africa bowed out despite a 5-4 victory over Singapore that included three more wins for Silvino

England A beaten in opening tour match ENGLAND A frustrated the New South Wales XI's hopes of

ENGLAND A frustrated the New South Wales XI's hopes of wrapping up a rapid victory, but still slipped to an expected nine-wicket defeat on the opening match of their Australian true in Tanaparth vesterday.

nine-wicket defeat on the opening match of their Australian tour in Tamworth yesterday.

Resuming on 132 for five on the final day, still 43 runs away from making NSW bat again, they delayed the Australians' victory celebrations until mid-afternoon after another composed display from 18-year-old batsman Owais Shab. The Middlesex schoolboy, who top-scored in the first innings with 76, batted for nearly 3½ hours to score a determined 79 as England were howled out for 217.NSW took only 17.1 overs to reach their victory target, for the loss of one wicket.

Smart MacGill, the leg-spinner, finally ended Shah's resistance, finishing with five for 84 to claim nine wickets in the match. England A now travel to Adelaide for a one-day match and four-day game against South Australia.

#### Foreman retains title

BOXING: George Foreman defeated another challenger for his world heavyweight title in Tokyo yesterday and then said he was prepared to meet HIV-infected Tommy Morrison, who scored a first-round knockout win in his comeback. Foreman, 47, said he was "ready to fight anybody, anywhere, anytime for a certain amount of money", after retaining his World Boxing Union title with a unanimous decision over fellow-American Crawford.

Foreman, however, could not put his title at stake against Morrison because the WBU will not sanction fights with HIV-infected boxers. Morrison, 27, finished off another American, Marcus Rhode, in 98 seconds with titree knockdowns in his first fight since announcing in February that he was HIV-positive.

#### Matulik traps Panthers

ICE HOCKEY: The three Superleague games on Sahmday failed to produce a home winner. Cardiff Devils needed a goal from Ivan Matulik with 11 seconds left in overtime to gain a 3-2 win at Nottingham Panthers but, in Sheffield, the Steelers and Newcastle Cobras had to settle for a 2-2 draw after a scoreless overtime period. Manchester Storm gavelled home from Bracknell with a 3-1 win over the Bees.

#### Langer ends long wait

GOLF: Bernhard Langer, right, ended his 13-month spell without a victory when he won the Alfred Dunnill Masters in Hong Kong yesterday. The German shot a final-round 65 for a 17-under-par total of 267 to win by two strokes from Kang Wook-soon, of South Korea, who had a final-round 66. Third-round leader Scott Laycock, of Anstralia, was a further stroke adult after a closing 71.



#### India have the final say

CRICKET: India secured a dramatic victory over Australia in Mohali yesterday to earn a place in the final of the Titan Cup against South Africa in Bombay on Wednesday. Australia, chasing a target of 290, were given hope by Mark Taylor, who scored 78 off 91 balls, but eventually fell five runs short when Brad Hogg was run out on the first ball of the final over.

#### Directors replaced

CYCLING: The British Cycling Federation has replaced its board of directors with an emergency committee following unrest by the organisation's membership and concern by the Sports Council about the federation's efficiency. I Brothers Peter and David Willemsens, of Belgium, dominated the 27km event at the Eastway circuit, London, yesterday, with Barrie Clarke, of Britain, fifth.

#### Britons tumble out

BOWLS: Stuart Airey, of Cumbria went out in the second round, and Andy Wills, of Cheltenham, in the quarter-finals of the International Singles Classic in Hong Kong. They were beaten by the eventual finalists, Gerry Baker, of Johannesburg, and John Noonan, of Adelaide, 25-21 and 25-7 respectively. Noonan went on to defeat Baker in the

#### Belles win to stay top

WOMEN'S FOOTBALL: A narrow victory by Doncaster Belles over Liverpool ensured that the Premier National League leaders kept ahead of the chasing pack of London teams, who are waiting to take advantage of any slip from the North's sole representative in the top half of the table. Croydon, Arsenal and Wembley also woo, with the latter two clubs scoring seven goals apiece.

#### Menu tastes victory

MOTOR SPORT: Alain Menu, runner-up in the British Touring Car Championship for the past three years, won yesterday's Autosport RAC Tourist Trophy at Donington Park after dominating the event from start to finish. Menu, of Switzerland, effortlessly regained the ground that he lost during the two compulsory pit-stops to win the 80-lap, 156.5-mile race easing up in his Renault Laguna.

GOL

# Davies on course to head both money lists

By John Hopkins, golf correspondent

LAURA DAVIES wants to finish 1996 as the leading money-winner in both Europe, her home continent, and the United States. This is one of the few records in women's golf that has not yet fallen to Davies, the longest hitter and the biggest draw in the same.

Davies, 33, won the 1996 European order of merit for the fourth time last month. She moved nearer to winning the United States equivalent when she finished second in the Toray Queens Cup in Japan yesterday. Her winnings of \$69.819 (around £42.000) were sufficient for her to pass Karrie Webb. 21, the Australian who has taken the US LPGA tour by storm in her rookie season, and move to the top of the LPGA money list with one event remaining. So now it will all come down



Davies: Las Vegas finale

to how well Davies, \$45,000 ahead, and Webb play in the ITT LPGA Tour Championship in Las Vegas, starting on November 2l. If Davies becomes the leading player on both sides of the Atantic, then she will have done what Annika Sorenstam, the young Swede, did last year.

Davies captured the European title in Sicily two weeks ago, It was her fourth "home" victory this season and her 48th career win. Even having to stay in a nunnery, where the water was icy cold when she took a morning shower, did not stop Davies. Nor did high winds on the fourth day.

She was in front from the start at Il Picciolo, holding a lead of seven strokes after 54 holes. She was so far ahead that a final round of 70, three over par, was good enough for

her to win by three strokes. She did it knowing that Webb, meanwhile, was playing in the fucrative World Championship of Women's Golf in Korea, which presented her with the opportunity to move well ahead of Davies. Webb, however, only finished sixth.

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Davies started the fourth round in inashiki four strokes behind Mayumi Hirase, of Japan. It was the sort of situation she loves. She needed to go for everything to stand any chance and go for everything she did. Davies eagled the 18th for a round of 68 that but her into a played with

put her into a play-off with Hirase.

The two women each birdied the first extra hole and each got pars at the second. On the third, Davies missed from three feet, her ball grazing the hole before swinging off to the right. Hirase then stepped up to hole her putt for her first victory on the US tour and her seventeenth victory in her eight years as a

professional.

Davies last won the US order of merit in 1994, the year that she won at least one event in the United States. Europe, Asia, Japan and Australia and finished No 1 in the world rankings. She won one in four of the events she entered and had five second places and three thirds.

In 1996 she has won two major championships — the McDonald's LPGA Championship and the du Maurier Classic — as well as six others and E750.000 in prize-money around the world. Probably the only disappointment she has had was the way Europe capitulated in the singles of the Solheim Cup. The US won the singles 10-2. Davies losing her match on the 10th.

For Davies, golf is a living but it is one to enjoy, along with playing snooker, supporting Liverpool, and kicking around on the full-size football pitch at her home in Ottershaw, Surrey, And for more excitement, she climbs into her second-hand Ferrari and goes for a burn-up. Davies, in short, is something of a phenomenon. As someone who likes a flutter, she may feel at home enough in Las Vegas to win the US money list, too, and bring down the curtain on her most exception-



Engvist hits a powerful backhand on his way to the Paris Open title yesterday

#### Enqvist stands tall to block Kafelnikov's advance

FROM ALEX RAMSAY IN PARIS

YEVGENY KAFELNIKOV'S chances of overtaking Pete Sampras at the top of the world tennis rankings by the end of the year became that much slimmer yesterday when he lost the Paris Open final to Thomas Enqvist, of Sweden, 6-2, 6-4, 7-5. It was the first time Enqvist had reached a Mercedes Super Nine final and, once there, he wasted little time in picking up the \$393,000 (about £247,000)

winner's cheque.

Not that Kalelnikov was in any mood to hang about either. The Russian was aiming for his second Paris double this year. Having won the singles and the doubles, with Daniel Vacek, at the French Open, he had been burning the midnight oil this week to try to repeat the feat. In the end it all appeared to catch up with him. A long three-set victory over Byron Black and Grant Connell in the doubles. soon after a three-set singles semi-final win over Petr Korda, was not the best preparation for a sparkling final.

Within ten minutes the French Open champion was 4-0 down and looking distinctly tired. Then again, it was his 158th match of the year and his season still has three weeks left to rum. He was broken in the opening game as Enqvist found his range with his ground strokes, and before long the set had whistled by him. As Kafelnikov made error after error on his backhand even the French crowd. one of the most excitable on the European circuit, fell silent. They had expected better than this but Kafelnikov could

not rise to the occasion.

As for Enqvist, who is coached by the former player and his best friend. Joakim Nystrom, he had finally hit top form this week after an inconsistent year. Against Edberg and Gustafsson, in the quarter and semi-finals, he had been too strong and too good, hitting the lines with pace and power, but against Kafelnikov he never needed to reach those heights. Only at the start of the third set did he

falter slightly, dropping his service to go 2-0 down. The danger did not last long, however. Enqvist turned up the heat on that fierce backhand to break back to 2-3 and then levelled the scores with three aces to win his serve to love. From then on a succession of aces - 20 in all - kept Kafelnikov at bay. It was a bit too much for Kafelnikov, who eventually gave up the ghost and his own service to go 5-6 down and then stood back to watch Enqvist serve out the with four more

It ail leaves Carl Azel-Hageskok, the Sweden Davis Cup captain, with an interesting problem. With Edberg reaching the quarter-finals, Gustafsson reaching the semis and Enqvist winning the title, who does he leave out of the team to play France in the final later this month? Maybe that was what was keeping the Parisian crowd so quiet.

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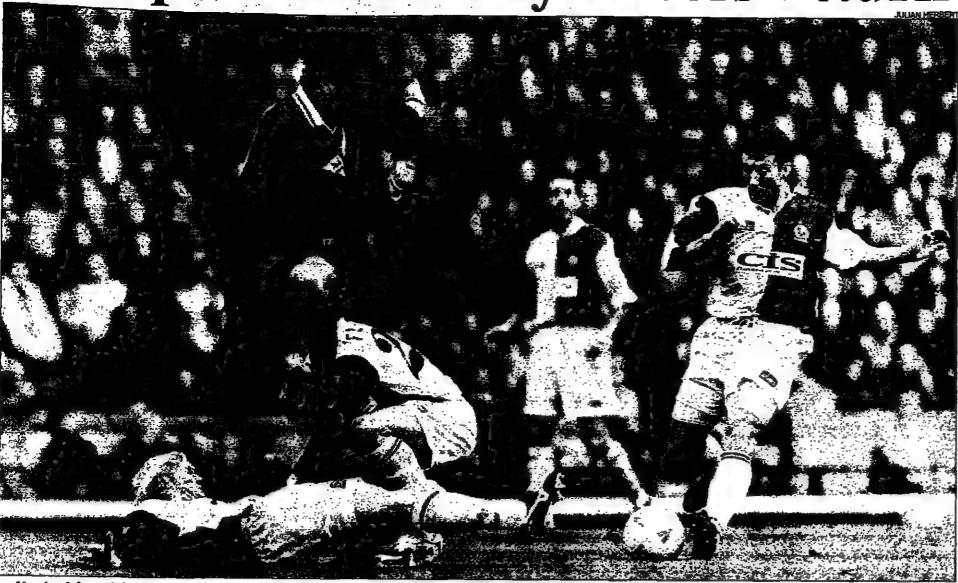
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FOOTBALL: HENDRY AND SUTTON COME OFF INJURY LIST TO INSPIRE BLACKBURN'S FIRST WIN OF SEASON

# Liverpool blocked by Rovers' return



Hendry, left, a mighty force for Blackburn after coming back from injury, slides in to dispossess Berger during the 3-0 demolition of Liverpool at Ewood Park yesterday

Blackbum Rovers ......

BY DAVID MILLER

THE boast that the FA Carling Premiership is the best league in the world was shown to be hollow long ago. Just occasionally, the claim seems credible again, as when Blackburn Rovers, rooted to the bottom of the table, handsomely outplayed one of the front-runners. What a bloodstirring surprise this was.

With the granite figure of Hendry back in central defence after an operation and the willowy Sutton returning to lead the attack, this is no cowering remnant of a former champion team. Often denying Liverpool the time to think, let alone weave an attack, Blackburn played a brand of football at times superior to the functional days of Dalglish; the hitof the Wilcox-Ripley and Shearer-Sutton partnerships.

Hendry made Liverpool's defence look anaemic by comparison, effectively putting Fowler in his pocket, though the young England forward had scant support. The consuming challenge of McKinlay, recruited from Dundee United, recalled the

dynanism of Billy Bremner. Sutton's skill on the ball, which was the cause of the penalty, after only three minutes, that sent Blackburn's spirits soaring, was constantly perplexing. His masterfully-headed goal. Blackburn's third, ten minutes into the second half, made certain of their first victory in 12 games.

Tony Parkes, their caretaker manager, has transformed morale, building new hope around a 45-1 formation. West Ham were all but defeated last week at Upton Park. and the same brand of tenacity reduced Liverpool's polished act to ragged disorganisation and hesi-

Yesterday, with Ewood Park full to the brim, Blackburn's midfield took Liverpool apart, exposing alarming incertainty in the rearguard trio o Wright, Mattee and Babb. With Liverpool two down after half an hour and running scared, Roy Evregroup his forces and his formation. from 3-5-2 to 4-4-2. To no avail.

Biornebye: who had taken a knock early on, was replaced by Redknapp. Thomas switched from central midfield to the right flank to try to subdue Wilcox, while McManaman moved to the left flank and Redknapp partnered a bemused Barnes in the

centre. Evans must have been tempted to substitute Barnes, his captain, so tough was the treatment being imposed on him by the

For the 15 minutes after Redknapp's introduction, Liverpool prospered, constantly counter attacking. They could not cut the lead. Blackburn held firm, and in the second half were seldom seriously threatened. So much of Liverpool's

game is built on one touch. Too often

that was all they got.

This could be the first game of the season for Blackburn," Parkes said. "Now it's onwards and upwards. It was the third goal that clinched it, for us. We wanted to force Liverpool to change [their tactics], but when they did it knocked us off guard temporarily."

Parke said that he would not be putting his hat in the ring for the vacant job, and would not accept it if offered. "I'm quite competent, it's the third time I've been caretaker, but they'll be looking for a big name," he

Evans was his usual dispassionate self. "A very poor team performance," he said. "We were careless, and you've got to realise you can't always pass the ball about, that you've got to clear your lines. We didn't chuck it [give up], but seldom looked like saving it. They made our passing game difficult."

They did indeed. Parkes reflected

that the 4-5-1 formation that he had used for the past two matches has offered the players something differ-ent, a challenge to enjoy, and they have responded. The whistle had barely blown for the start before Liverpool found themselves in difficulty, so pressured that they were passing more backwards than forwards. With only three migutes gone Babb, in desperation, fouled Sutton, who, with hardly a glance behind him, picked up the ball and while the referee was busy administering a yellow card.

With 12 minutes gone, McKinlay was booked for a foul on Berger, one of his many moments of excess, but hard as Liverpool tried to keep calm. they were being hustled into repeated errors. With a quarter of an hour gone, James missed a swirling cross

from Gallacher and Flitcroft headed wide. Liverpool were clearly groggy. They went two down after 22 min-utes. A feeble, misjudged back-pass by Barnes put Babb in trouble. He failed to control the ball and was robbed by Flitcroft. Again Gallacher swung the ball over, James and Wright thought about going for the ball, did not, and Wilcox, coming in

to meet it from the left, thumped it

Redknapp brought some sem-blance of co-ordination to Liverpool's ranks. Fowler sent a searing shot over the bar. Barnes, from an opening created by Redknapp, likewise shot too high. Berger went close with a low one and Barnes, offered a further chance by McManaman, forced Flowers to turn the ball round

For Liverpool, that was about it. Sutton's glancing header from Gallacher's low, diagonal cross, left need not so much training as therapy.

LIVERPOOL (3-5-2) D James — M Winght, D Ma P Sabb — J McAteer, S McManaman, M Thome

## Why I would have backed players' strike

can see myself now, out-side Anfield at 3am, L throwing spuds on a brazier, woolly hat on my head and placard in my hand. In reality, it wouldn't be so dramatic, but I would go on strike for my union, and I think that the overwhelming majority of my fellow players would do the same. That was the clear message when the Professional Footballers' Association (PFA) balloted its Nationwide League members

The dispute with the Football League did not involve FA Carling Premiership players, but I know there is strong support from all the players for Gordon Taylor and his position on the union's slice of television money. It looks as though the dis-

pute has been resolved, and m glad, because it is an issue the players do feel strongly about. The union deserves a fair slice of television money, because it does great things for its members — and don't forget that it is the members who generate all that television money in the first place. I have heard the players accused of being greedy for

is missing the point. It is not the players earning thousands a week who are benefiting most from this, but the less amount of work for all the

wanting this money, but that

players, but particularly those from the smaller clubs. It puts on courses, helps inured players. helps in retraining and helps many of them survive. When they are injured, out of the

game, whatever,

the union helps. It's simply not a question of could end our careers at any players going on strike to earn more money, but to ensure the welfare of those people that help generate the money that is now pouring into the game. It is such a powerful union because we all stick together.

It would be easy for the top players to ignore the needs of the lower-division clubs but it is important for the game that we don't. It needs players and many of the top players came from the lower leagues originally.

If there wasn't the support system, then many would not merge. Remember, there are thousands of members in the PFA, and only a fraction of them are earning the sort of money people read about. Is it wrong of the union to want to stand by agreements going back decades so that it can help the players that need it? I think some people have

been getting the issue confused. They seem to think it is greedy players wanting to cash in, wanting to earn even more money. People see top players earning decent wages and immediately think they are greedy - that all footballers are greedy.

Some players are on massive wages but, believe me, a lot of the figures are exaggerated. People have said to me that nurses should be on more than footballers and there is no doubt that they should be getting a lot more for what

McMANAMAN



on an issue that has united PFA members

they do. There is a moral issue there and, in some ways, you do question whether there should be so much money in football. But on the other hand, there is no doubt that the top footballers are generating that money. The game obviously would be worth nothing without its players, so why shouldn't the players get a decent share of the spoils?

I'm not saying that the players should get all the players earning huge salaries money - there's no point in their stadium is falling down. Nobody wants to see clubs going bust either, so the money should be channelled down to the lower divisions to

ensure that there is a healthy struc-

'Injury can It should be remembered that eveasily end ery player has a limited shelf life, a a career at relatively short any stage' risk of injury that

stage, and everyone wants to look after their families, to provide security for their future. If the money is there, it would be foolish not to take it when you examine your long-

Every player is under pressures, too, pressures that maybe did not exist ten or 20 years ago. We are in the public eye and often perceived as role lems surrounding Paul Gascoigne have been such big

news recently. He has been condemned but Glenn Hoddle has stood by him. I know Gazza, but I don't know what happens in his private life. Nobody knows the pressures Gazza experiences, except him. It is an emotive issue, but without knowing what he and his family have gone through, it would be wrong to pass judgment. How can anyone, except those that know the facts?

There are so many things for players to cope with and that's why players need sup-port, from each other and from their professional body.

Again. that's where the union comes in. When a player is finished, he is no use to a club, and will be eased out of the door, perhaps without a future. Where do we turn? That is why I would strike for my union - and that is why the PFA enjoys such widespread support among its members.

## Ferguson injury keeps Royle and Brown waiting



NICK BARMBY, Everton's record signing, makes his debut against City at Goodison Park tonight, but he may have to wait to begin a partnership with Duncan Ferguson. Rerguson, the Everton striker, has a calf strain, and may not be fit to return after his month-long lay-off because of a groin injury and suspension. "We'll give him every chance," Joe Royle, the manager, said yesterday, "but at the moment he is very doubtful."

Craig Brown, the Scotland manager. was intending to watch Ferguson this evening in the hope that he will be available for the World Cup qualifying match against Sweden on Sunday. If Ferguson misses the game tonight, though, he is unlikely to be able to join

Everton have won their past three games without Ferguson and now have to accommodate Barmby, their £5.75 million signing from Middles-brough. Royle has been coy about exactly how he intends to use Barmby in the long term, but tonight he is expected to play at the front, replacing either Michael Branch or Graham

Blackburn Rovers' first win in the FA Carling Premiership yesterday

bottom, making the game even more important for Coventry. They will be without Dublin, leaving their attack in the hands of Whelan and either Jess or Ndlovu, "It seems that whenever we get a player fit, someone else gets an injury." Ron Atkinson, the Coventry manager, said. "I've never

known a club like this for injuries." Savo Milosevic's move from Aston Villa to Perugia was on hold yesterday because the Italian club apparently changed their mind about paying Villa's £4.5 million asking price. "The problem is definitely at the Perugia

end," Doug Ellis, the Villa chairman,

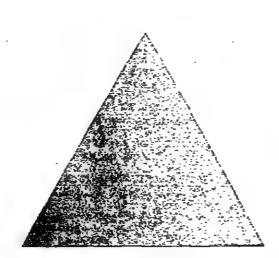
we've shaken hands on the transfer and agreed everything. Jim Fallon yesterday resigned as

manager of Dumbarton, the team who are second from bottom of the Bell's Scottish League second division, insisting he had decided to leave before the 5-0 defeat by Livingston on Saturday. "I had told the directors on Thursday that I was going - win, lose or draw," Fallon said

Football is an enjoyment as far as I am concerned, but I am not enjoying it at the moment. However, I would like to get back into the game some time in



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FOOTBALL

# Ferguson pledges to reopen case for the defence

By PETER BALL

INSTEAD of celebrating his ten years in charge of hester United this week, Alex Ferguson is faced with reviving his faltering team. If talk of crisis would be exaggerated, four defeats in five games can no longer be

passed off as a mere blip. In many ways, the performance on Saturday was the most worrying yet. The team looked short of confidence and form as Chelsea maintained their remarkable record at Old Trafford, where they have only lost twice in the league in

We're no different from any other team." Ferguson said. "If you get a run of results like we've been getting, it does affect confidence." Even Peter Schmeichel, the goalkeeper, usually so strong and positive, has been affected, proving culpable for both Chelsea goals.

there's no question about that," Ferguson said. "If they'd scored two goals which they'd had to work for, we'd maybe say: 'Well, we were well beaten', but they were two terrible

"If you're defending properly, it gives you a base to get something out of a game, but we've lost goals where we didn't expect to: lucky goals, scrappy goals, great goals. The defending wasn't acceptable today. And, in view of the bad goals we have been losing recently, that's something Schmeichel's responsibility for the 12 goals that Newcastle Southampton and Fenerbahçe put past him is debatable, apart from the one where he was beaten at the near post at The Dell, but on Saturday he was the main culprit, if not the only one, for

both Chelsea goals. For the first he made an unconvincing attempt to stop Duberry's soft header, but the which originated when Vialli's run beat the offside trap, was more worry-Normally Schmeichel would have been out to meet

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ball and player; but his hesitation allowed the Italian to bring the ball down and beat him at his leisure. It betrayed Schmeichel's lack of confidence: did he fear being chipped again?

If, this time, the finger was being pointed at Schmeichel, who is big enough to come back, the defence in general was clearly lacking its old authority. The goals were just a reflection of the trouble United had with Chelsea all afternoon as they broke quickly from midfield in support of

Hughes and Vialli. Their two front players coming short was a major problem for us; it meant their midfield could run in hope in the acres of space behind us," Ferguson said. "I thought that was a deciding factor in the

In previous games this sea-

Saturday, fired by a return to his former stamping ground, he was rampant. So strong, so powerful, he was always available and impossible to knock off the ball, hard as

If one returning old boy pointed up United's problems, Ferguson was left to reflect on the telling absence of another. There will be occasions when we suffer from the loss of a defensive colossus such as Steve Bruce," he said. "His sheer enthusiasm and priceless will to win cannot easily

However, if Bruce's greater strength and huge appetite for the physical battle might have given Hughes a harder ride. May was probably United's best player. Until a late flurry, his headers at dead-ball kicks were certainly their most po-tent threat, and it was his intended deflection of Poborsky's volley that brought United their goal.

They might even, as Ferguson said, have snatched an undeserved equaliser, but Keane's header hit Cantona and dropped wide. That, along with an air shot when Beckham set him up, summed up Cantona's day. maybe Cantona's fortnight.

in fact, restored to something close to his favourite role, he probably played better on Saturday than in the earlier games. United, though, need him to give the lead, and he is not doing it. How United miss Giggs

whose absence has highlighted the ignorance of the criti-



Vialli points the way forward for Cheisea after scoring their second goal at Old Trafford

whose value as a leader of the attack has been consistently underrated, whatever failings in front of goal.

We'll get out of it, there's no question about that, it's just a phase we're going through," Ferguson said. The return of

ister and Cole, will help, but will it happen soon enough? Juventus arrive in two weeks, the trip to Rapid Vienna for the game that will decide their European fate is

in the FA Carling Premiership

while concentrating on Europe might be in tatters.

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#### Le Tissier lies in wait with the unexpected Simon Barnes watches patiently for

a sighting of a rare football species

ave you ever staked out a water-hole in the African bush? It is extremely exciting. You get there tremendously early, and on sit there for hours and nours and absolutely nothing happens. And yet you never look away because you know that, if you did, you would miss something so ridiculousy wonderful you will never orget it. It's not about what

happens, it's about what might happen. If you wish to duplicate this experience without the trouble and expense of going to Africa, I suggest you become a Southampton supporter. Or. to put it another way, a Le

Watch him for hours, and well, as I say, absolutely nothing happens. He is just hurking about looking miser-able. He looks less like a footballer than anyone of that calling in England. He looks like Eeyore, glumly moving about and having his being in his own private place, rather

Look away from him at your peril, though, For, at any one moment, he might turn into a lion. And all your hours of waiting at the water-hole are worthwhile

The previous weekend saw Le Tissier at his most intermittently leonine, as Southampton gave Manchester United a 6-3 mauling. On Saturday, they went to Sheffield Wednesday and it was more like a normal day in the bush as the teams finished at 1-1.

A couple of years back, Le l'issier spent a season being the greatest genius ever to kick a ball. It was a throwback to the Seventies, and the days when you went to see a team to watch a single player do his stuff: Marsh. Currie, Bowles. Not that there was ever anything remotely flash about Le Tissier. He was simply capaole of moving in an instant from diffidence to brilliance and back again, and he did so

almost every week. He could not do it last season: though. Mostly, this was seen as a complicated reaction to being passed over as an England player. He drifted through games look-ing as if he did not care. Obviously, appearances de-ceived. Le Tissier was trying with all his might; it is just that his trying is not the running about in circles kind. No doubt his mind was spinning with all kinds of desperate effort, but the end result was that he lurked about looking rather boggy and sad.

Now, though, the Le Tissier lion is back making its usual sporadic and unpredictable appearances, and Southarno ton are very well worth stak-ing out again. Is it being back in the England squad? Is it being under a new manager, Graeme Souness? Is it having

a simpatico fellow in Berkovic to play off? Or all three?
No great matter, really. It is just good to sit there, waiting to see if the lion will turn up, and knowing that it very well might. Even though Wednesday took the lead in the fourteenth minute through Newsome, it was always Southampton and Le Tissier you watched for.

And the wait was rewarded when he broke through on the end of a sudden counterattack to unleash a dipping drive onto the crossbar. In Le Tissier's relish for football, subtle and understated though it is, is back.

erkovic's cross gave as B the next big game sighting. Le Tissier performed one of those tricks that all pros can do in training, and very few in a match: the simple chest-down and volley. Pressman, having a good afternoon, pulled off an excellent hand-stinging save and later he balked him again with a fine foot-stop.

It was very nearly a game of nearlys for Le Tissier but Nolan brought down Ostenstad, and Le Tissier took the penalty with his usual aplomb tistic he has scored in six successive games.

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Perhaps, it was suggested afterwards, he was tending to be just a trifle overelaborate in front of goal. Souness was uncompromising in his re-"You can't criticise goalscorer," the manager said. "I'm happy with his form And I'm still looking for

There is a little contradiction for you, but Le Tissier demands such things. He remains the most compelling footballer in England, not for what he does, but for what he might do. No other player conveys that sense of almost limitless possibility.

Intriffless possibility.

SHEFFELD WEDNESDAY (4-5-1): K. Presemen — P. Atherton, J. Neissonne, G. Weiser, I. Nolan — S. Oeless (autr. G. Whitergham, 79mm), B. Cardonni (autr. G. Whitergham, 79mm), B. Cardonni (autr. G. Humphreys, 87), M. Pernburdge, G. Hydis, O. Thasbull (autr. Blinker, 70) — A. Booth.

SOUTHAMPTON (3-5-2): C. Woods — R. Doyden (autr. G. Potter, 83), C. Lundelvarm (autr. J. Magitton, 81), U. van Gobbel — S. Charlton, A. Neilson, E. Barkove, J. Dodd, M. Oelkey (such: R. Stater, 77) — M. Lei Tissier, E. Ogfenstand.

#### West Ham pay heavy penalty for Bilic blunder

Tottenham Hotspur.

West Ham United... By BRIAN GLANVILLE

AFTER a first half of dreadful sterility, West Ham dominated the

game and lost. Lost, moreover, to a

slightly ludicrous goal. Their Croatian defender, Slaven Bilic, gave it away, and afterwards Harry Redknapp, West Ham's ebullient manager, was understandably dismayed. "Slaven made a mistake," he said, "Going to play it, let it run,

and got in a bit of a muddle with it." Indeed he did. Chris Armstrong, largely invisible and unsupported until then, gratefully pounced on the the sting off it, he could not prevent it

same and were utterly dominant, but they could not capitalise.

Indeed, it was another 20 minutes before Bilic, now upfield, let fly a tremendous left-footer from outside the box which beat Walker, only to rebound from the inside of the post. Ten minutes before the Tottenham

Hotspur goal, a delightful flick by Dowie returned the ball to Porfirio, only for Walker to dive on the shot.The Spurs keeper also did well to block another attempt by the mercurial Portugese, after Rieper played a ball back. "The little fellow

ball, shot, and though Miklosko took worked some great positions for forced Teddy Sheringham to drop himself, and didn't score," Redknapp

Gerry Francis is wont to round up time West Ham had raised their the usual (absent) suspects, and be did so again, pointing to the injured Mabbutt, Anderton (who may be back in a fortnight - where have we heard that before?), Fox and Sinton. So the tyro striker Allen had to play on the right flank and Edinburgh had to overlap from full back on the

> "It caused us to pass the bail too much in the middle area," Francis said. "In the second half, we kept getting caught trying to pass the ball around in the middle areas, because we hadn't got dribblers."

Lack of craft and flair in midfield

deep for much of the game, working when served by Armstrong. "I thought Teddy did a great job

today," Francis said, "passing the ball and controlling the ball." Francis, accused like his club of being too passive in the transfer market, said that Spurs were negotiating for three players. If today Queens Park Rangers decide to sell their forward, Trevor Sinclair, Spurs would be interested, but other deals were, he claimed, further advanced.

Sinton and Fox, the Spurs wingers, are likely to be back by the time the FA Carling Premiership restarts in a couple of weeks and Ronny Rosenrecovered from his hamstring pull. "West Ham play a very umusual tight system," Francis said. "A lot of

players moving around. You

have to concentrate to stop them. getting through and causing you But fluidity, like patriotism, is not enough. So Spurs squeaked through to their second uneasy home League win of the season.

TOTTSNI-AM HOTSPUR (4-4-2): { Walker — S Carr, C Catigorwood, S Campboll, J Edmburgh — R Allen (aut. R Rosenthal, 90min), D Howells, A Nelleen, C Wilson — E Sheringhern, C Amastrong

WEST HAM UNITED (3-5-2): L Askdosko — M Pleper, S Bille, J Dicks — T Breacker, I Bishop, J Monour (autz P Fulse, 75), M Hugnes, S Lacendie — I Dowe, H Porfano.

#### Sunderland lose their way

Sunderland ....

BY DAVID MADDOCK

CAN you imagine Peter Reid looking more hang-dog than usual? He was, and it was detectable, just, after what he described as a frustrating performance from his side.
This is the most disappointed I've felt after a game this season," he said. "We should have nailed them, and we didn't.'

The Sunderland manager was reflecting on a contest which his side dominated during the first half, and yet contrived not just to lose, but to lose badly. His point was, however, not just that Leeds United should have been beaten on the day, but that it was a real opportunity for victory. even before the kick-off.

Reid is a canny manager, he understands the imbalance intrinsic in the make-up of the FA Carling Premiership. Sunderland will not often travel with confidence this season. and to waste such an opportunity is a criminal neglect of points that are hard enough to

The sight of lan Rush lining up on the right wing was illustration enough of how vulnerable Leeds were. Their nervy, anonymous opening was mere confirmation. Rush admitted afterwards that Reid is astute enough to have targeted this game as one Sunderland could have won, hence his frustration.

Reid seems to be picking and choosing his matches. reasoning the best games in which to go for broke. This was one, with Michael Bridges, 18 and a rare talent. given a rare outing. It did not work because Sunderland did not convert their first-half dominance into goals.



Reid: frustrating afternoon

"We played well, but, if you don't nail opponents, you pay penalty," Reid said George Graham, the Leeds manager, was equally dismissive of a scoreline that flattered a team still short on experience and confidence. We still have a lot of work to do," he said. "There is no use working during the week and then throwing it out on Saturday."

ahead, but only after Nigel Martyn, their goalkeeper, had saved well from Kelly, Hall and Stewart. The goal, after 27 minutes, was the only move of note Leeds put together in an undistinguished first half.

Wallace drifted down the right flank, swivelled and crossed into an empty box. It looked aimless, but was transformed into brilliance by the late arrival of Mark Ford, who steered a deft header into the

Sunderland lost Howey through injury early in the second half, and there followed what Reid described as ten minutes of madness, where first Sharpe, latching on to a rebound after Deane had bundled into Perez, the Sunderland goalkeeper, found the net, and then Deane made things comfortable with an acrobatic volley on the turn from Bowyer's cross.

Leeds will not always have such fortune, and even with the astute Graham at the helm, will struggle this season. So will Sunderland, unless Reid can rid them of their habit of leaving pointless, when their performance was

anything but. LEEDS UNITED (4-4-2) N Menyn — ( Kelly D Watherall, P Sousiey, L Radebe — Rush, M Ford, L Boeyer (sub A Cougans 79min), L Sharpe — 8 Deene, P Wallace. 7-smm; L. Sharpe — B. Deane, P. Wallace: SUNDERLAND (4-4-2). L. Perez — G. Hall, L. Howey (subt A Rain, 53). A Mehille, M. Scole — D. Kelly K. Ball, P. Bracchiell, M. Gray — P. Stevent (subt.) J. Mullin, 79; M. Bindiges (sub., C. Russall, 60). Rollamer, S. Dienn

#### **Derby County refuse** to follow the script

Derby County...

Leicester City ..

BY RUSSELL KEMPSON IT WAS billed as the day that

Leicester City, the pundits'

through the FA Carling Premiership trapdoor, might take over as top team in the Midlands. If Aston Villa slipped up against Nottingham Forest, and Leicester saw off Derby County, Martin O'Neill's battling braves would secure local bragging rights. No mean achievement. At the Baseball Ground on Saturday, the script was not adhered to. Not only did Villa ease past Forest but Leicester did not even retain leading status in the East Midlands. Derby's flattering victory cased them above Leicester, on goal difference, and it was Jim Smith, the Derby manager, not O'Neill, who could crow of regional superiority.

"Was it a case of After the Lord Mayor's Show?" O'Neill was asked, the question posed amid the still vivid memory of Leicester's surprise 2-0 victory against Newcastle United the previous weekend. "I thought that would be brought up," he said, "and, no, I don't think

50." Smith was asked if Derby were back on track, after a I suppose so. Trouble is, we've now got a fortnight off because of the internationals." County must make do with a Derbyshire Senior Cup clash against Chesterfield

Claridge shaved the cross bar early on for Leicester while Rowett saw his power ful, downward header blocked on the line. First half over: much ado about nothing

Asanovic often appeared lost - maybe missing the influence of Stimac, his Croatian team-mate and interpreter - but Derby still managed to claw their way in front in the 56th minute. Lawrsen crossed, Dailly nodded it back and Ward claimed the final touch ahead of Poole. With a minute remaining, Derby settled it. Sturridge collected Ward's flick and pulled the ball back from the byline, where Whitlow, the Leicester defender, was unable to get out of the way. It hit him and trickled over the line - an untidy finish to an

untidy game.

DERBY COUNTY (54-2-1): If House — C Yates, P McGraft, G Rouelt — J Laursten, S Plyra, D Powelt, C Powel — C Daily (sub. D Surridge, 77mm), A Assensic (sub: F Surpoon, 85) — A Ward LEICESTER CITY (3-5-2): K Poole — S Prior (subt J Lawrence, 43), J Wates, C Hill (subt I Merchall, 46) — S Geopson, S Taylor Hubt G Parker, 65), N Lermon, M Izzer, M Whitlow — S Clandgo, E Heslay

inept to the embarrassing. will be down by Christmas.

# Forest stuck in wasteland

Nottingham Forest ...... 0

BY KETTH PIKE

HE RAISED a prolonged and genuine smile in defeat, which says something about his character but even more about the practice he has been getting. Yet Frank Clark sounded for all the world like a man who knows that his time is running out, and very

likely it is. That Nottingham Forest lost to an eminently beatable Aston Villa side on Saturday scratched the surface of their predicament, but there were other, more profound signs. When a team is looking to the return to fitness of Kevin Campbell for salvation, it is in a sorry state; and when, with October scarcely past, the manager is already saying: There are 26 games left and we have got to try and win as many as we can," the depth of the crisis is exposed.

Forest have now scraped two FA Carling Premiership points out of 21, and both of those were tinged with good fortune. Here they had little, undone by a spiteful deflec-tion, a goalkeeping mistake another one - and the wastefulness of Jason Lee, whose finishing plunged from the At the present rate, Forest

Clark needs to buy, wants to buy, but cannot buy, at least until negotiations for a boardroom takeover at the City Ground are complete, which he said would be "five or six weeks" at the minimum, and give the manager £10 million to spend. "I want us to have won some games before it takes place, otherwise it will

be somebody else spending the money," he said. "But we are not sitting on



Clark: under pressure

our hands waiting for it to happen. The answer lies in the dressing-room [preventing] morale from imploding) and the treatment room Bart-Williams and Stone, as well as Campbell, are injured. We have got to start winning games otherwise we will be tailed off, but I am not lying awake at night worrying about it."

He should be. With Lee's

bootlaces tied together as se-curely as the club's pursestrings. Saunders scampering ineffectually and Roy clearly uninterested, Forest do not have the firepower to trouble any team. They passed the ball as well as Villa for long periods of a dull match, but when push came to shove in the opposing penalty areas, Villa twice came to life while

Lee simply came to grief.

Lee's first miss, finding
Oakes's outstretched hands after Woan's immaculate cross, was negligent. His second was simply laughable. Lee had already beaten the goalkeeper, but his shot was so tame that Tiler was able to make up ground to clear.

By the time that Lee spurned a routine far-post heading chance, Tiler, the Forest old boy, had rubbed sait in the wounds by capitalising on a fortuitous ricochet, and before Woan dragged another great chance wide, Yorke's smart overhead kick had punished Crossley's weak flap at a corner. Villa might have then had a few more, but they are not a patch on the fluent team of last winter. It could be a sorry season in the Midlands.

Season in the Midlands.

ASTON WILA (3-5-2) M Oakes — U
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Taylor, S Curtac, A Townsend, A Winght — D
Yorke, T Johnson.

NOTTINGHAM FOREST (4-4-2) M
Crossley — B Cyris, C Cooper, S Crestie, S
Pearce — S Germall, Al Hasland, D
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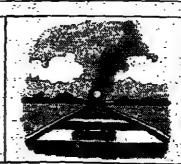
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#### FOOTBALL: GAYLE'S FORCE BRINGS WIMBLEDON REWARD FOR SPIRITED APPROACH

# ieira adds to Arsenal armoury

Michael Henderson finds welcome signs of skill and subtlety

from the north London team in the 2-2 draw at Selhurst Park

DON'T tell me! Wimbledon versus Arsenal. It was like walking round town with a nail in your boot. Well, it was not pretty. There was some shoddy football, and some Palmer makes a virtue of nastiness, but there were also imprecision. Vicira looks indications that Arsenal are handy on the ball, and moves trying to shed something of well with it. He made the first their bad old ways. Vieira can play a bit, and Wright is still goal for Wright by blocking Ekoku on the edge of his own box, striding 40 yards and releasing Wright with just the pass he needed. From his good for a goal or two, whatever else one might think about him. They tried to pass the hall, and one does not see position in front of the back that every Saturday at Selhurst Park, or at Highbury. five, Vieira is likely to make an impression this season. Should Arsenal have won

So Wright scored again. Is he worth his England They will be disappointed

not to have done. They could In short, no. You do not easily have been three goals become an international-class clear by the time Jones equalgoal poacher at the age of 33. He remains a marvellous ised in the fag-end of the first half. It was a nice header, but snapper-up for his club, but Arsenal had been much the his tendency to see himself as better team up to that point, a latter-day St Sebastian is tiresome. Perhaps Arsène and they looked more likely to win afterwards, denied only Wenger, whose command of when Gayle bundled the ball is better than across the line. Still, you have Wright's, can persuade him to to award Wimbledon high moan a bit less at referees and marks for their pluck. They linesmen, whose jobs are hardly less difficult than his keep grinding out "results". own. He is such a strutter. Vieira, without a doubt.

Didn't he save Jones from the choo?

There was a bit of a kerfuffle after Arsenal's second goal, though it was difficult to determine exactly what was going on. A minute before there had been some scuffling in the Arsenal penalty area, and this was the residue of that incident. Apparently Wright intervened on Jones's behalf, which impressed Joe Kinnear, who called him a good pro. Where professionlism is concerned, of course, professionals are not always

the most reliable witnesses. By

Bould for six minutes and Adams for ten, in each case after a clash of heads, and they refused to yield an inch. A lot depends on Bergkamp, who was quiet on Saturday, because Platt appears to be drawing on the interest of his career account. They could do with a passer of the ball in the middle, too, although that could be said of many teams. Merson, who scored their second goal, means a lot to them with those surges from deep positions. A couple of younger defenders could come in handy.

their standards, the best pro of

all was probably Jack the

Are Arsenal good enough to

They have got the spirit.

Before half-time they lost

challenge for the title?

Come on, get off the fence. Would you pay money to watch them?

Not if Newcastle were playing Liverpool in the next meadow, no. Arsenal are never going to be a popular club, and they do not want to be. As Danny Blanchflower said,

clubs have traditions, and the threads of history are difficult to unpick. Wenger is unlikely to change things much. Arsenal may lighten up a bit but watching them is never going to be a treasure hunt. They will probably finish

And Wimbledon? Seventh, maybe. They try to make out they are living off scraps, and in the sense that they have only 27 fans, they are, but they can put out a fair side. Earle has always been a good player, and Leonhardsen is a busy linde bee. Perry apparently, is making a reput ation at centre back but he did not excel on this occasion. Ardley, on the right, has his moments. The problem is, they do not always want to

should trust themselves a little So we'll see you at Highbury for the return match?

play. The harum-scarum tac-tics, of which Wenger com-

plained later, are not always

necessary. Perhaps they

Findeed you won't.

Wild Ledon (3-4-2): M Sultran — I.

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Wright, still a fine finisher at club level, struts his stuff against Wimbledon

#### Cup glory may end Stranraer wilderness years

 ▼ lary is supposed to come on alternoons when the sunlight is stroking the faces of the players, but the disadvantaged cannot afford to be fussy about the temperature. For the Challenge Cup final at Broadwood Stadium yesterday, the November wind scrubbed away skin and the soreness was relieved only for Stranraer, of the Bell's Scottish League second division, who defeated St Johnstone, from the first division, 1-0.

Who took the eye?

From a distance he resembles

Carlton Palmer, but do not let

Most clubs huddle together in Scotland's central belt and to them Stranger, in the southwest of the country, is a distant, and not at all exotic, outpost. Players asked to consider a move to Stair Park used to react as if deportation were being proposed. Matters have been improving since 1994, when Strangaer achieved promotion for the first time in their history, taking the old second division title.

In its isolation, the club does have a firm grip on an audience. Colin Calderwood, the Tottenham Hotspur and Scotland centre half, was born in the town and, while he was never to sign for Strangaer, he remembers, in boyhood, gawping in awe when he saw Alex McCutcheon, a player who lived in the area, walking down the street.

Even now, Calderwood is restless on a Saturday evening until he knows the Stranger result. The news can be awaited with less trepidation these days. The club has a full-time manager, Campbell Money. and there is a stordiness about the team that he fields. Of course, at this level, players do still trail quirky biographies behind them.

One of the Strangaer forwards. Tommy Sloan, preced-ed this match with his night shift as a baker. In a tourna-ment competed for by the members of the three lower divisions, though, the romance of the final was really present only in its result. Money's side intended, princi-pally, to be watchful and that



attitude was turned into stern conviction once they had moved in front.

The goal, in the 26th minute, had as its mainspring the shrewdness that recognises the inevitability of mistakes at this level. In a warmer climate, or a more sophisticated contest, Tony Gallagher's free kick from the left would have been wasteful, for it was whipped directly towards the

Stranraer's defender. though, was eager to find out just how much adhesiveness there was in Alan Main's chilled fingers and damp gloves. The goalkeeper furnbled the ball and a harassed Danny Griffin booted an attempted clearance into his own net. St Johnstone, the better side, then spent the rest of the day discovering just how unimportant superiority can

The players of the Perth club are full-time and they are ranked among the favourites for promotion to the premier division. Their ineffectiveness on Saturday must remove some of the confidence with which their prospects have been regarded. Smooth technique was not enough to break the will of a Stramaer team happy to pack its own penalty

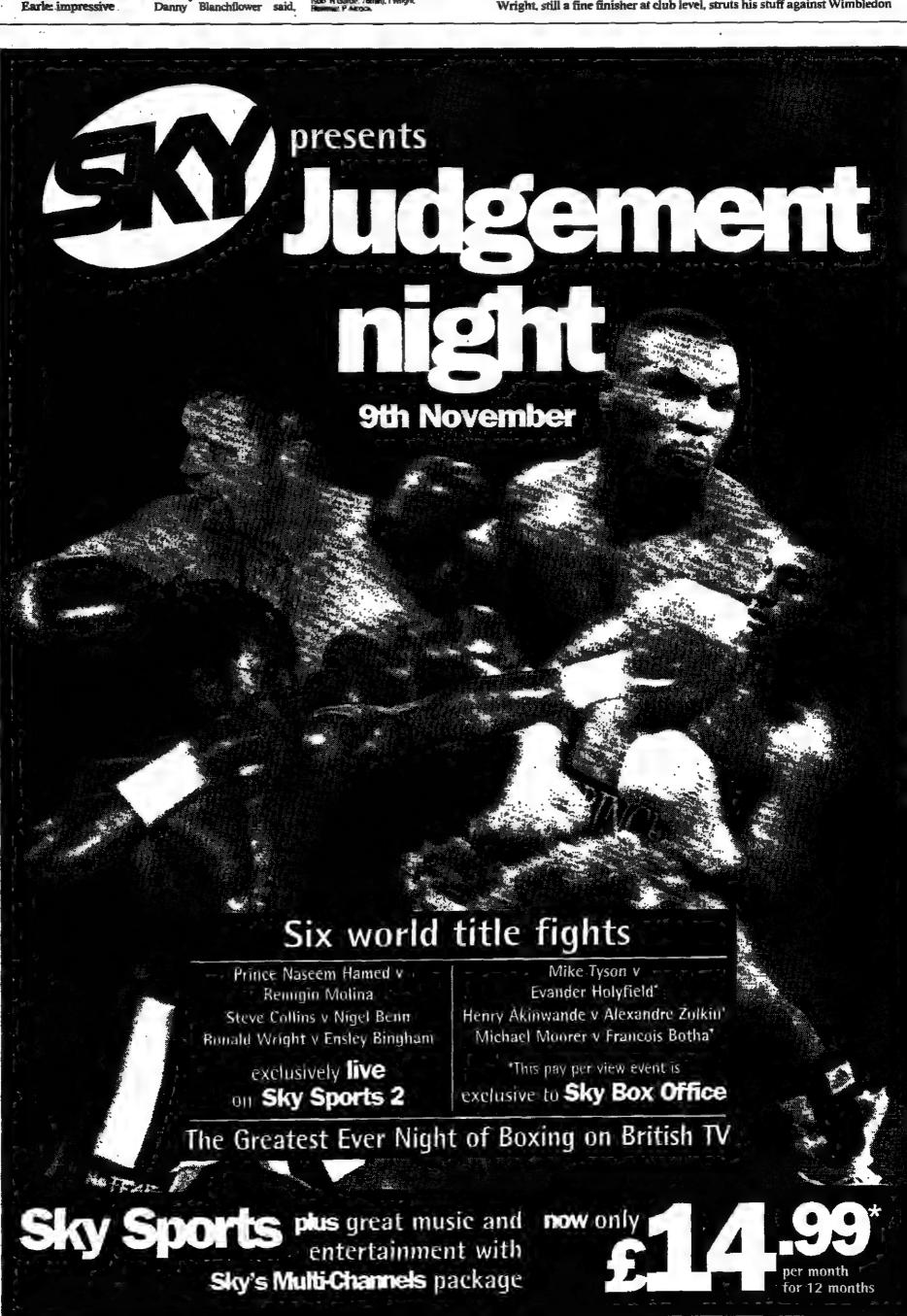
The goalkeeper, Barney Duffy, dealt with a succession of crosses from St Johnstone but was not forced to get himself mucky by diving on the soggy turf until the 88th minute, when he blocked at the feet of Roddy Grant.

The jubilation that flooded one of Broadwood's stands soon afterwards was vast, even if the attendance figure was a slim 5,522. Nearly ten times as many people had sampled the same cuphoria on Saturday, when Celtic, with a goal from Paolo di Canio, overcame Aberdeen in Glasgow and clambered to the top of the premier division.

They lead on goal difference, by a margin of one, from a Rangers side who were woebegone after drawing 2-2 away to Raith Rovers, who are bottom of the table. The Ibrox club. even if no one will admit it, are believed to have offered Kenny Daiglish a job that would require him to identify suitable European players and bring them to Rangers.

bring them to Rangers.

Those supporters who made the long journey to Broadwood, however, will not be taking the slightest interest in anyone else's plans. Stranger, founded in 1870, have a tradition and developing and, in 1981. tion of dawdling and, in 1981, they became the last of Brit-ain's senior clubs to install floodlighting, but progress does continue all the same. Now, for the first time, there will be the gleam of a significant cup in the Stair Park



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# Laws leaves Grimsby working on right lines

Grimsby Town Sheffield United .....

By RICHARD HOBSON

"THERE is only one cure for the position we are in and that is hard work." Brian Laws

wrote in the manager's column at the front of the match programme. The directors of Grimsby Town disagreed. Their answer to the problem was to dismiss Laws last

Friday.
Tight deadlines, however, ensured that his thoughts remained untouched and. though it will represent little consolation, the events of yesterday proved the deposed

As John Cockerill took charge for the first time, Grimsby displayed the pluck and endeavour that ought to ensure survival in the Nationwide League first division, even though they sit second from bottom. Twice they came back from behind, but lost to a brace of goals in the last ten minutes having dominated much of the second half.

Howard Kendall, the Sheffield United manager, ac-knowledged that his side were fortunate to take three points and move into sixth place, ahead of Tranmere Rovers on goals scored. "Perhaps this shows that things level out in football." Kendall mused. Earlier in the season we were unfortunate not to get certain results; this time we were definitely fortunate."

A swirling wind rolled in from the North Sea to handicap anybody tempted to measure a pass yesterday afternoon. Hit and hope was the order of proceedings and United ultimately triumphed because their defence made

fewer errors under pressure. Jason Pearcey, the Grimsby goalkeeper, was responsible for the first mistake of significance in the 28th minute. Dane Whitehouse temporarily obscured his line of vision and Pearcey was sufficiently distracted to fumble a speculative cross from Mitch Ward, resulting in a simple stroke-in for Don Hutchison.

Ten minutes later. Hutchison was dispossessed as he dwelt on the ball in midfield and Steve Livingstone shot beyond Alan Kelly. only for Whitehouse to restore the United lead close to halftime with a well-measured left-foot shot. Livingstone claimed his sec-

ond goal four minutes after the restart and Grimsby proceeded to produce their brightest football of the game. Neil Woods ran the midfield and a crowd of 5,935 clearly sensed that a third goal was just a decent effort away. Grimsby tried but without

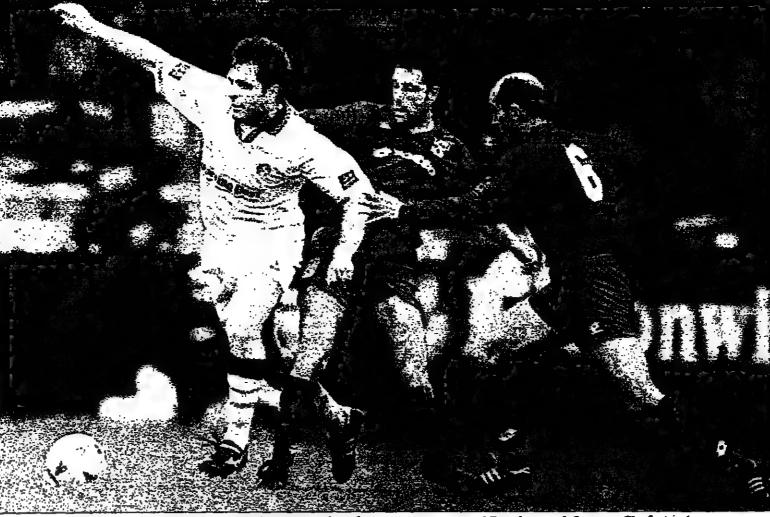
reward. Kelly was off his line promptly to deny Clive Mendonca a clear run at goal and Michael Vonk charged down a shot from Woods as it headed towards the target. indeed, Vonk and David Holdsworth needed to be resolute throughout a testing period for the visitors.

Then, with ten minutes remaining, Whitehouse broke along the left flank to cross for Peter Katchouro, the Belarus international, to head past Pearcey at the far post. Two minutes later Chris Short, a substitute, strode forward with equal purpose and teed up Whitehouse to score for a second time. Thus an afternoon that

began with an apology for the programme's contents ended with no necessity to apologise for the performance. Instead, the rousing bars of Land of Hope and Glory bellowed from the Tannoy system. Glory may be some way away, but there is still hope in abundance at Blundell Park.

GRIMSBY TOWN (4-4-2) J Pearcey — A Fisking (sub: K Jobing, 46mm), G Rodger, R Smith, A Gellmore — G Childs (sub: C

Wrack, 82), N Woods, C Shakespeare, R Stack — S Livingstone, C Mendonca (sub: Forrester, 82) Formstein, 82)
SHEFFIELD UNITED (4-4-2): A Kelly — M
Ward, M York, D Holdsworth, R Nisem — D
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Pottencon, D Whitehouse — G Taytor (sub
A Waller, 85), P Kalichouro



Molby leads from the front as he bursts away from from Cooper, centre, and Rennie to push Swansea City forward

#### Fear factor works wonders for Molby

David Powell sees a 1-0 win for Swansea City help to justify To describe how he had felt a week earlier, the resolute measures of one third division player-manager achieved their highest League players have responded well to the criticism."

After the hot water, the hot

air balloon ride. Two wins in

a week have lifted Molby's

chastised players from 23rd in

the division to seventeenth.

Timely points, given Brighton and Hove Albion's victory

at Hartlepool United, Indicat-

ing the foliv of those who said

that bottom place has been

While Brighton's plight has

been discussed widely, Swan-

sea's has gone barely noticed.

Swansea were relegated from

the old first division 14 sea-

sons ago, having finished last

hut one ... above Brighton.

Last season, they came down

from the second division to-

gether, Swansea again one

So when, last week, Swan-

sea had only Brighton be-

neath them, the juxtaposition

was familiar. Swanses.

though, have fallen further.

: above brighto

booked for the season.

when defeat at Tor-quay United left Swansea City only one place off the bottom of the Nationwide League. Jan Molby said on Saturday that he had gone back to his apartment, closed his curtains, unplugged the phone and not gone out for 24 Since taking his first job in

management with Swansea, Molby has sought guidance from many of his former Liverpool connections, Kenny Daiglish, Ronnie Moran, Ronnie Whelan and Steve McMahon, but this time. instead of picking up the phone, he chose his own advice. He bawled out his players. He even frightened them with the "C" word: Conference. It worked.

"I had a right pop at them after Torquay," Molby said. we played as badly as I have seen us play in the eight months I have been here. My warning that we could find ourselves playing non-League football next season was not an idle one. But the

positions, Swansea led the League with 12 matches to go, only to finish sixth, while Brighton were thirteenth. Although not threatened with homelessness as Brighton are, the Swansea family is splitting up.

Doug Sharpe, the chair-man, no longer has the drive,

Liverpool humbled Steve McManaman .....

he has admitted, and is unwilling to support the club financially any more. It is up for sale and Sharpe has been absent from recent matches. Molby, making light of diffi-"There is no sign of the chairman, but, since we have not seen him, we have only

lost once." More seriously, Molby added that it had been Sharpe

who persuaded him to take the job. "He said we were ambitious and would go places," Molby said. thought that, if you get the backing and the club is ambitious, you have got a chance. When the club went up for sale it was a bombshell, but the wages are still being paid. To go into the new year we might have to sell one or two players." Buying is out of the

How different from when John Toshack: another Liverpool old boy, was manager. Swanses, under Toshack reached their zenith. With money to spend. Toshack brought in several former Liverpool players: Tommy Smith, Ian Callaghan, Alan Ray Kennedy. The financial excesses precipitated Swansea's downfall.

The defeat at Torquay was Molby's nadir. He did not expect the job to be easy. "But I never thought it was going to get that low," he said. "I have no regrets. There are only 92 managers' jobs and we cannof all wait for the big

Northampton Town's run of three wins was ended when Steve Torpey hooked home a cross midway through the second half. After a grim end to last season and beginning to this one, this was Molby's most satisfying week.

Ronnie Moran sald to me that whatever level you are at, whatever player you work with, the game is always going to kick you in the teeth." Molby said. "He was obviously referring to what has been happening regarding the chairman." Torpey, with a winning goal in midweek and one more on Saturday, has spared Molby another visit to the dentist. SWANSEA CITY (4-4-2): R Freeslane — S Janes, K Waker, C Edwards, M Clode — D Pennsy, J Moiby (aut: K O'Leany, Sermin), L Jervens, J Costale — L Brown (sub: C Herser, 79, S Torray, NORTHAMPTON TOWN (3-4-3), A Wood-man — I Sampson, D O'Shee (sub: R Humer, 70), R Warburton — I Clarison, D Remia, S Parrish, L Maddison (sub: C Lae, 74) — M Rush, M Cooper (sub; J Whie, 95), N Graveon

#### Walker sets a new benchmark as Vale march on

Port Vale.. Birmingham City ...... 0

By MARK HODKINSON

FOOTBALL folk are seldom the masters of the understatement but Ian McPherson, a Port Vale director, takes some beating. McPherson's icon is the club's midfield stalwart

go lightly on the eulogy.
"I would crawl from the edge of the world to pay tribute to the man," he gushed in the match programme for the game against Birm-ingham City on Saturday. He went further, dedicating Sinead O'Connor's Nothing Compares 2 U to the player who has spent nearly a decade

Ray Walker and he does not

at Vale Park. On his 400th league appearance for Port Vale, Walker was at the heart of most of their creative play. He epitomises the style of play encouraged by John Rudge, the Port Vale manager. Rarely osteniatious. he played the ball to the feet. and his contribution was thoughtful and neat. Birmingham City, big-name manager and big-time ambiwoeful were tions.

Tony Naylor opened the scoring, litting the ball over Bennett. Both McCarthy and Guppy roamed the flanks and this led to a second, when Naylor poked home after Mills had headed onto the bar. Birmingham, now impelled to attack, pushed Bruce into midfield but his renowned call to arms brought scant re-

comparison.

sponse. The final goal perfectly showcased Vale's approach. Walker passed to Porter and his cross was volleyed home by Guppy. The move, simple in the extreme, was a template of pass and move football. Walker felt Port Vale had

turned in a performance wor-thy of his landmark appearance. "We got at them today. We just went from strength to strength. Once we had got the third goal, they were dead and buried," he said.

Trevor Francis, the left the dug-out a few minutes before the end and raced up the players' tunnel. He was nowhere to be seen at the aftermatch pleasantries. "He just breezed through here," a helpful steward said, pointing towards the car-park.

Elita Land

When he eventually stops, Francis will have to address the pressing problem of moulding a team from a decent set of players. Birmingham are now without an away win in the league for nearly a year.

Rudge has aiready succeeded with this objective. "It was a very satisfying performance. We played well all through the side. Millsy (Lee Mills) did well and Ray Walker was great despite taking a knock."

Rudge said. And Ray Walker? McPherson, quite rightly should have the final say there. "When the history of Port Vale is finally written, Walker will go down as our greatest ever player," he said. PORT VALE (4-4-2): P Musselvhite — A
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(sub: M Foxle, 84). A Porter, S Guppy — T
Naylor, L Mills.
BIRMINGHAM CITY (5-3-2): 1 Benneti — M
Jackson, G Breen, S Bruce, G Ablatt (sub: S
Castle, 76), A Legg (sub: M Johnson, 76) —
C Hotland, B Home, J Boweri — P Devin, P
Furlong.

#### in 1981-82, when both clubs Sleeping giant's recurring dream flickers back into life



kick-off at Fratton Park. Nothing sentimental, just the passing on of an ancient family tradition. "There." I said to the seven-year-old boy sitting beside me, echoing the sort of speech my father made to me in roughly the same spot 35 years before, "I bequeath you

the freedom of Fration." My son, on his first visit to a football ground, surveyed the pollarded Fratton End, with its pathetic rows of blue plastic seats, watched the desultory influx of spectators, cocked his ears to the silence . . . and said he would rather support Arsenal, if it was all the same

By half-time, other difficulties had arisen. How do you tell a small boy, on his spectating debut, that a 4-0 scoreline is not normal, not

one as bumbling and goodnatured as Portsmouth? This was his first 45 minutes of professional football, for goodness sake, and he had already witnessed a feat well outside my own experience. It is bad for the soul to be spoilt so early. Only disappointment will follow. Portsmouth had once before scored four goals in a half, against Fulham, but had evened it up by conceding four in the second period, as if determined to distil the history

ing afternoon. Portsmouth have always been filed under the species of club known as "sleeping giants". They won the FA Cup just before the Second World War, the championship in consecutive seasons a decade later and have commanded remarkable loyalty in the

of the club into one breathtak-

Andrew Longmore's family ties tested as

Portsmouth beat West Bromwich Albion 4-0

many lean years since. Supporters have derived consolation from the thought that one day the giant would wake and trample through the divisions. Impressive as they were in thrashing a dour West Bromwich Albion side, the

hope has all but vanished. The club is losing money at the reported rate of £6,000 a day and is up for sale, the stadium is down at heel, all plans for a new one have foundered and the early-season euphoria surrounding the arrival of Terry Venables has evaporated into the thin air of disillusion. As a favour to his old friend, Jim Gregory, and Gregory's son. Martin, the managing director, Venables

donned his tracksuit for the first two weeks of the season but has been rarely seen since. A Friend of Portsmouth is how officials describe his nonexecutive role, a sort of fund-

raising footballing consultant, which is a bit like inviting Yehudi Menuhin into your orchestra and asking him to play the triangle. The fans had rather hoped Venables would be The Manager, which was a little harsh on Terry Fenwick, the real manager. Last week, just to add to the

confusion. Terry Brady, father of Birmingham City's Karren and only recently hailed as the club's saviour, resigned from the board and the transfer of David Hillier from Arsenal

degenerated into farce. One moment the money (£250,000) was there, the next it had vanished. Hillier finally signed on Friday. "He'll stiffen vanished. us up a bit," Fenwick said. In the midst of it all, the

team has blundered on. young, lively, largely untutored. Portsmouth's most valuable asset could lie in the stocky form of Lee Bradbury, a raw recruit from the Army who has the same eye for goal as that other military bargain, Guy Whittingham, who was bought for £400 and sold for El million. Bradbury, just 22, is heading the same way. "A hell of a find," Fenwick labelled him after his sixth goal in eight games had begun

Portsmouth's unlikely spree. Thereafter, in a reversal of their usual miracle, every-Portsmouth touched turned from stone to gold.

a host of bodies, Durnin touched home Bradbury's downward header and Turner thundered in the fourth to leave the best away record in the league looking decidedly ragged. "We had been threatening to do that for a few weeks," Fenwick said. "Hopefully that will be a turning

On the way home, I advised my son to stop watching football now. He had seen the giant awake and twitch. It might be another 35 years before it happens again.

PORTSMOUTH (3-5-2): A Flahaveri — A Thomson, A Whithread (sub: R Petruck, 38min), R Perrett — J Carter, A McLoughlin, A Awahord, Filmpson, A Turner (sub: S Igoe, 77) — L Bradbury, J Dumin. WEST BROMWICH ALBION (4-4-2) P Criction — P Nolmes (sub K Donovar, 45) P Agnew, D Burgess, S Nicholson — J Darby, P Raven, R Species (sub; L Ashrord, 84) P Groves — A Hunt (sub; B Taylor 45), P Peschisoldo.

Referee: D B Alison.

#### Fry struggling with tight belt

Peterborough United .... 0 Blackpool .....0

By NICK SZCZEPANIK BARRY FRY -- man or myth? Whatever led the good folk of

Peterborough to stump up record season-ticket receipts when he took over as ownermanager in the summer, the legendary wheeler-dealer seems to be proving all too human at the moment. As he admitted, the early "never-adull-moment" promises have fizzled out; the game against Blackpool on Saturday was one dull moment after

Fry's answer, characteristi-



cally, may be a little flutter in the transfer market, although nothing on the scale of his time at Birmingham City, where he liked to operate on a tightlyknit squad of 50 or so players. There are stricter financial constraints at London Road. "The responsibility is huge." he said. "As a manager only. you don't realise it. Looking at budgets and meeting banks is a whole new ball game. But I will try to move a couple on

and get a couple in. It is evident that what we have got is not producing the goods." Neither side produced much in a soporific first half, although Blackpool came out strongly after the break, forcing a string of corners. Blackpool were so desperate to score that they also had Peterborough's best effort on goal. Banks was in no mood to be

beaten, though, and certainly not by Linighan, one of his own defenders. However, although Mellon looks too good for the Nationwide League second division. and Preece looks as if he thinks he is, Blackpool did not do enough to win. In fact, Preece's late, lazy foul gave Houghton a chance to steal it with a stinging free kick, but

Banks was equal to it. "It's the first time I've ever been happy to draw 0.0," Fry said. "I couldn't see us scoring and we haven't kept many clean sheets this season. "We've been struggling with

injuries, and the team is thrown together - a lot of young lads. But the youth players give me the greatest satisfaction here. I think the future is very bright."

He deserves credit for trying to take the supporters into that future with him. Peterborough's largest crowd of the season had been attracted by a selective pricing policy that Fry has introduced, along with meetings between public.

players and management. "The crowd was magnifi-cent," he said. "I thank them for their support; they deserve better. I'm a fan at heart and l want it to be the fans' club. But we want to show something on the field, and we're not doing that at the moment."

It could be worse. At least he has not yet, as owner, felt the need to give himself, as manager, the dreaded vote of confidence.

PETERBOROUGH UNITED (3-5-2) J Shoffield — J Foran M Basham, M Bodley — R Huddord, R Walls, S Houghton Billington (sub M Baden, Samini, A D'Ovy — K Charlery (sub Z Rowe, 76), C Ceswer BLACKPOOL (14-2) S Sants — J Lydiate. A Butier, D Linghan, A Berlow — J Quern, M Mellon G Brabot, L Philiport (sub. A Ellis, 75) — A Procoo, C Mallon.

#### Farnborough disrupt Harriers' momentum

Kidderminster Harriers... 2 Famborough Town ...... 3

By Walter Gammie

FARNBOROUGH Town brought to an end the 12-match unbeaten run that had taken Kidderminster Harriers to the top of the Vauxhall Conference with victory in a stirring, cut-and-

thrust encounter at Aggborough on Saturday. Two thumping headers by Pat Gavin from corners by Phil Wingfield and a simple finish by Chris Boothe, after a nifty interchange with Darren Robson, clinched a triumph that extended Famborough's own sequence without defeat to 15 matches and thrust them

firmly into an increasingly congested title race. Farnborough had first to retrieve Kidderminster's 35thminute opening goal, created by Lee Hughes, their exciting 21-year-old forward, who set up Doherty. His initial shot was blocked but he won a penalty pursuing the re-bound, and then tucked the

Gavin. unmarked slap in

front of goal, put Farn-

ball away himself.

borough level at half-time before Robson and Boothe opened up the defence in the 53rd minute. Weir thwarted the initial incursion but Robson ran onto the byline to pull the ball back to Boothe's feet.

Hughes went in eager pursuit of the equaliser, turning to tee up a 30-yard shot that hit a post and then stranding Mackenzie near the corner flag only for Olney to turn his cross past an open goal. Gavin headed a cross by Wingfield against the post

immediately before Webb ducked to guide in Doherty's time in seven games. long ball from the right touchline. Kidderminster then had to go hunting again after Gavin outjumped the defence at the far post for his second goal in the 82nd minute.

Mackenzie stuck out his left arm to divert Weir's header from another cross by Doherty to ensure that Farnborough survived the final. frantic assault.

KODOSTMINSTER HARRIERS (4-3-3). D Steadman — M Bignot, C Brodley, M West, S Phridiyilip — K Witells, M Yases (sub: K Casdy, Expm). P Webb — N Donery I Oliney, L Hughes FARNBOROUGH TOWN (4-4-2) Mackenzie — W Stermo, K Day, R Visita J Underwood — S Balter, D Robson Harlow, Pringflett (sub: R Denny, 88) -Gawn, C Boothe Referèe: G Beale.

#### Cunningham savours his day to get the nod either when Hearn said: "It has got to be Leyton Orient ...... Torquay United .....0

BY PAT GIBSON

TOMMY CUNNINGHAM will never forget his first and, quite possibly, his last Satur-day as a football manager. He had been asked to take temporary control of Levion Orient after the dismissal of his great friend, Pat Holland, earlier in the week and responded by filling the players with so much passion and commitment that they won for the first

"If I am never in charge of a team again, I will cherish the memory of today," he said, his voice almost choking with emotion. "I'll still be here on Monday morning: whether I'll be here on Monday afternoon. I just don't know."

It will all depend on Barry Hearn, the urbane Orient chairman, who has reduced no fewer than 130 applications. for the manager's job to a shortlist of four.

The only candidate from within the club is Alvin Martin, the former West Ham United defender, who was not playing on Saturday because of back trouble, and it did not sound as though he was going

either a big name or someone with experience as a manager, and that is the big problem I am weighing up at the moment."

There is talk of Billy Bonds, the former West Ham manager now coaching at Queens Park Rangers, and two former Watford managers, Glenn Roeder and Steve Perryman. although it is hard to see any of them getting more out of the players than Cunningham. the first-team coach, did against a Torquay United side which had won five of its previous six matches.

They obviously fancied their chances against Orient, the



Martin: candidate

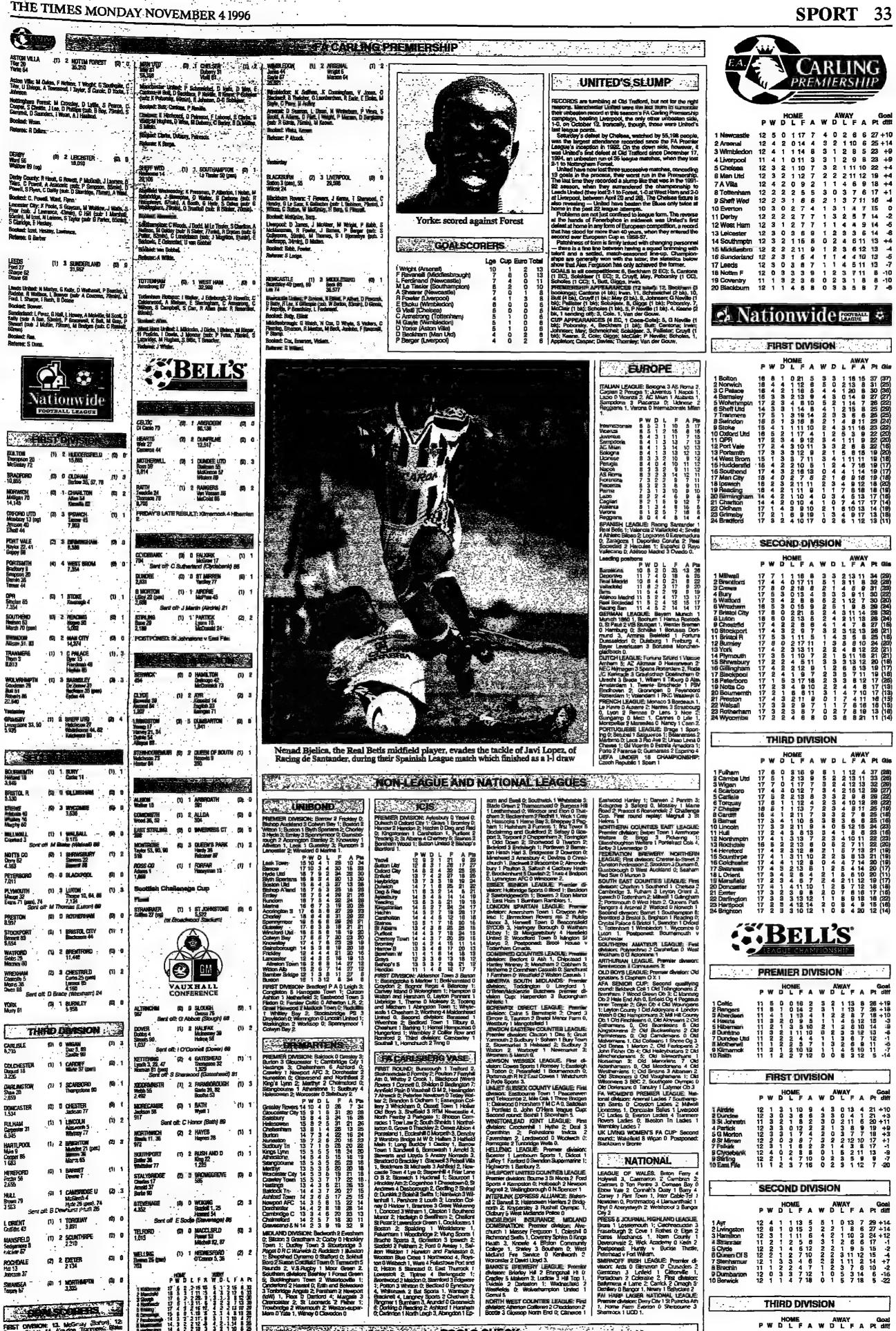
lowest scorers in the Nationwide League with only ten goals in 16 third division games before Saturday, but Cunningham surprised them by playing with three at the front, including Griffiths, who had arrived on Friday on a month's loan from Peterborough United.

It looked as though Griffiths was going to suffer as much as the rest of Orient's strikers have done this season when his opening shot in the fifth minute glanced off the inside of one post, rolled along the line and rebounded to safety off the other but his, and Orient's fortunes changed two minutes before half-time.

There did not seem to be much danger when Hendon hit the ball hopefully downfield, but Barrow's attempt to channel it back to his goalkeeper was short of pace and Griffiths, starved of football at Peterborough and relishing his first League game for the best part of two years, poked it out of Wilmot's grasp and slotted it into the net.

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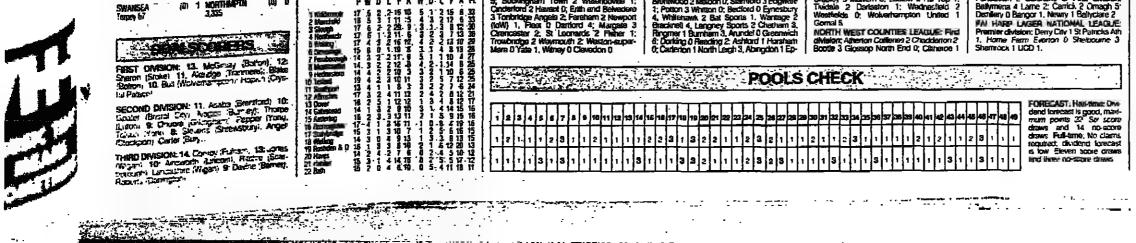
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**NETBALL: ENGLAND CALL GIVEN PROMINENCE BY RELATIVE SUCCESS** 

# Neville branches out in sporting family tree

Anot come much more complete than the Nevilles. Gary and Philip have already earned fame and fortune play-ing football for Manchester United and England, On Saturday, at the National Exhibition Centre in Birmingham. Tracey, 19, made her England netball debut against Jamaica.

Mr and Mrs Neville face a unique parental dilemma; how to shout for their three children at once. The contrast between their chosen sports could hardly be greater. One is high-profile. lucrative and glamorous. It is Tracev's lot to seek recognition in a women's minority amateur sport, Often, unless the participants look glamorous, column inches, interest and sponsorship are scarce.

Saturday was not quite the story-book day the Nevilles might have hoped for: Manchester United lost at home and England could not prevent the Jamaicans from running up a winning 11-goal margin in a fast-passing, physical game. Indeed, England were never ahead in the contest and will need all Tracey's sharp-shooting skills in Manchester on Wednesday and at Wembley Arena on Saturday to claw back the

For Tracey, a bubbly Mancunian, selection for the senior

Sarah Potter on how a teenager has followed in her footballing brothers'

footsteps to international recognition

squad is the realisation of an ambition held since junior school, when she began watching her mother play for club and county, "I knew when I was 12 that I wanted netball to be my life." Tracey said emphatically, "But I can't believe has actually come true. It's

Single-minded determination seems to be a Neville trait. According to Tracey, Gary told an understandably sceptical careers officer at school that he was going to play for Manchester United and nothing less would do. Philip's heart was equally set. Doubt has no place and sport takes top priority.

"If I could give up university to be paid to play netball full-time I would do it like a shot," the new England goal attack said, "but it isn't like that and I have to look elsewhere. Still, netball comes first." Looking elsewhere means

making a career. Tracey is in her second year at Bristol University, training to be a primary school teacher. She did not tell anyone about her famous brothers until she was

several weeks into her course. "I knew by then who my friends were. A lot of them have never supported football before, now they are worse than me. We go to the pub and watch all the matches and I travel to as many games as I

Gary and Philip have bought Tracey a car to ease her busy schedule and she travels home whenever pos-sible. "We just like being together. The family are living in Gary's house at the moment. Although Phil has got a house, he doesn't want to move out. We don't want to leave each other really."

s Philip's twin, Tracey admitted to a special bond with the young defender. "We were always in the same classes at school and we always played sport together. Gary can't have a go at Phil without me intervening." On Wednesday, Gary will be with the England squad for the World Cup qualifying match in Georgia but Philip, just coming back from injury, has not made the squad this time and will now be able to watch

his sister play at the Nynex Arena in Manchester. The home-town fixture will

be special for Tracey and her have got tickets and word would have gone round the local netball clubs. That's really nerve-racking." She giggled before admitting that she does not like thinking about that kind of pressure. "I was at the Man United game last week and there were 55,000 watching and I thought, I might be playing in front of 2,000 people. I'll be wetting myself:

A typical crowd for such an occasion will be made up mostly of school parties and netball clubs. Few men go along to watch; boys are not taught netball at school and there is something in its noncontact rules that makes men less inclined to take it seriously.

"That's a pity." Tracey said,
"I think if netball was shown to men, even if at first they were only watching us for our knickers, they would get into the game, have their pin-ups like we do with the football and enjoy it."
The BBC screened the entire

international on Saturday. It may have taken the extraordinary connection of two famous brothers to help to get the media ball rolling but, in Tracey Neville, netball might just have found the peg to hang its development on. A new star, albeit with a familiar name, has been born. That is good news for women's sport.



Neville's skills as a goal attack were unable to keep England from defeat by Jamaica

FISHING: RECORD CATCHES PROVE THAT SUCCESS CAN OWE AS MUCH TO GOOD LUCK AS TO THE PRECISION PLANNING OF THE ANGLER

## Fickle fortune throws up tails of the unexpected

By BRIAN CLARKE

THE capture a week ago of the biggest brown trout ever taken by an angler in England, hard on the fins of a record cattish a couple of weeks before, shows what a fickle and seductive mistress fishing can be.

The brown trout weighed 19lb 12oz and was taken by Graham Nichol, of Watford. while ledgering on the bed of Grafham Water, in Cambridgeshire, for pike. The 611b catfish was taken by Steve Renyard, of Southampton. The monster grabbed Renvard's hook when he cast into Withy Pool, in Bedfordshire

only to test the depth of swim. Such incidents are not rare. It is only the fact that records might have been involved that brought the two fish to the fore. Big fish being taken out of context - by small boys fishing with dads, by tyros fishing with experts, by speciulists in one species catching a corker of another — are the warp and weft of angling. There is no seasoned angler

like. The biggest freshwater fish I have knowingly hooked. a pike, was taken when I was still in short trousers and spinning the Tees for chub. Shortly after we met and before we were married. my wife hooked — but mercifully lost — the fish I had been trying to get for hours, with

the first attempt at casting

who has not experienced the

with a rod of any kind. When Renyard caught his catfish, fortune was, indeed smiling, because at the time, he was not fishing at all. Perhaps with an eye to a longer relationship, Renyard went to extremes in return. He was so thrilled with his good fortune and so concerned for the fish's welfare, that he went neck-deep into the water with the monster in his arms, so that he could nurse it back to

strength before letting it go. Fate is not always thus, though, as Nichol will confirm. He caught his great brown trout while pike fishing, but the fish was taken after the trout season had ended and so - magnificent specimen though it was could never have been accepted for a claim.

Just occasionally, fortune plays things straight. The two most famous fish ever caught in Britain are examples.
On October 7. 1922.

Georgina Ballantine was fishing the Glendelvine estate water on the Tay, with her

had already taken three good salmon. At 5pm, their boat-man finished work for the day. On any normal day she would have packed in then — her father worked for the estate and had constant access to the water - but that day happened to be the Saturday of the weekend that the clocks were put back. On the spur of the



Reynard, left, was simply testing for depth when he hooked the 611b record catfish in Withy Pool; Nichol was surprised to take a 19lb brown trout while ledgering for pike

moment, Miss Ballantine said she wanted to make the most of the last long day. Her father rowed. She trolled from the back of the boat.

At 6.15pm. a spinning

deadbait was taken. At 8.20pm, a cock salmon was landed. It weighed 64lb. Expert in her own right Ballantine was fishing with



FRIDAY

Barrisky v Navach: Charlton v Grinsby lessach v Southand; Oldham v Portsmouth Rasching v Tranners, Shelfiold: Unleed v Sandon: Sole v Wolverhampor: West Bromwoch v Port Vale. Second division.

the man who ran the fishery for the estate. He knew every pebble and lie on the river bed. He steered his daughter deliberately to a specific spot which on that day at that time, experience told him to try. Briefly, the biggest salmon in Christendom, on its way to the spawning redds, had stopped

that the record salmon was landed as a result of great skills, lots of small, balancing elements of chance had to come together to get make the

Many record fish have fallen as a result of far greater chance of events. The catrish is only the most recent example. One that owed little to luck, however, is the second most famous catch of all time. It was the common carp, which was hooked by Richard Walker on September 13, 1952. The carp weighed 44lb, a weight exceeded several times since but that in those days was almost

beyond comprehension. Once Walker had determined to catch a great carp, he planned its downfall as systematically as he planned everything else. He found a lake that contained great carp, studied the behaviour of the fish in that lake and then laid siege to them with tackle he had designed and built for that one job alone. Between the two extremes,

So, while there is no doubt the great gamut of angling that the record salmon was experience lies. As knowledge increases, dedication and obsession become every more intense. Flyfishers study insects down to the last costal projection, coarse anglers invent rigs that would dazzle Leonardo da Vinci. Every fishing action, every refinement of technique, is these days designed to frustrate fortune and tighten the odds.

But just as often as Dame Fortune will flirt and seduce, she will deliver that whopper from unlikely water that will end the day with a bang.

C Brian Clarke's column appears on the first Monday of **EQUESTRIANISM** 

#### Short cut produces delight for Holland

FROM JENNY MACARTHUR IN AMSTERDAM

YOF

WOUT-JAN van der Schans. from Holland, gave his vociferous home crowd a victory to savour yesterday when he and Leroy Brown won the Volvo World Cup qualifier after relegating Ludger Beerbaum, the former Olympic champion from Germany, to second place by one-hundreth of a second.

Van der Schans, who last won a World Cup qualifier seven years ago in Helsinki, was the only rider in the 12-horse jump-off to negotiate a short cut between tence two and the double which followed successfully, Beerbaum, riding Dirk Hafemeister's horse Priamos in only their third show together, went the longer rouse but compensated with a typically fluent round.

Roger-Yves Bost, of France, underlined the strength of his new partnership with Air-borne Montecillo by taking

third place.

For the three Britons competing — John and Michael Whitaker and Geoff Billington — it was a sorry tale. Although all three were riding their top horses, none reached the jump-off. John Whitaker had the best round, and his four faults on Welham at the middle part of the combination in an otherwise faultiess

round appeared unlucky.

Billington, who collected eight faults on It's Otto, reckoned that he had "cooked his goose" the previous night when he had gone flat out in the jump-off for the Ing Bank Grand Prix. in which he had finished fourth. "He thought he was racing again today when the belt went and got careless." Billington said.

Michael Whitaker, who also had eight faults on Two Step. laid the blame not on any recurrence of the back injury that afflicted the horse in Atlanta, but on exhaustion. "I think he's tired mentally after Atlanta and Monterrey." he said. "I'm going to give him a long rest now - maybe until лехт уевг."

Earlier, Isabell Werth, of Germany, the reigning world, European and Olympic champion, ended Anky van Grunsven's run of success in the Volvo World Cup Dressage qualifiers when she won on the inexperienced Welcome a nine-year-old stallion she ranks fourth among her string of grand prix horses. Richard Davison, a Briton,

finished ninth on Askari and now goes to Brussels this weekend in an attempt to secure his first ticket to the final at 's-Hertogenbosch, in Holland, next April. -

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#### Manhattan represents height of ambition for marathon runners

# Where American dreams are reality



Oliver Holt launches a

series on a city in which

the passion for sport has been reawakened

they streamed off the Verrazano Bridge at the start in their thousands and thousands. The skyscrapers of Manhattan glinted their greetings from across the East River, the dismal brown mass of housing projects beckmeed them towards the Bronx, far away to the north. At the foot of the bridge, the runners took the first exit to Brooklyn and

another of New York's sporting glory days. The giddy populace is still rejoicing at the surprise suc-cess of the New York Yankees in the baseball world series ten days ago. A celebratory tickertape parade followed hot on its heels and Yankees merchandise is still the hottest seller in the souvenir shops on Fifth

launched themselves into

The image of Wayne Gretzky, the best ice hockey player that the game has seen. stares down on Broadway amid the flashing neon, a reminder that he has joined the New York Rangers for the autumn of his career, a phase that so far is showing every sign of being as brilliant as the fall colours that still decorate the trees of New

Shaquille O'Neal is coming to town next week, too, with his new team, the Los Angeles Lakers, to pit his skills against New York's favourite basketballing son, Patrick Ewing. This year, the Knicks have splashed so much money on star players to support their talisman that their supporters believe that they have a genuine chance of dethrooin Michael Jordan and the

ChicagoBulis. Even the city's American. football teams, the much-maligned Giants and Jets, have been showing signs of life after dreadful starts to their respective seasons. Into this heady mix, nearly 30,000 marathon runners surged yesterday for the 26th enactment of the race that winds through each of the city's five boroughs.

It has all engendered a triumphalist mood among New Yorkers and their media. and widespread claims that the city has reclaimed its title



The marathon in New York yesterday gave the city another glory day, enhancing its triumphalist mood. Photograph: Marc Aspland

#### of the sporting capital of America that has gradually been torn away from it by the westward drain of franchises. Nothing could be designed to reinforce this feeling more

than yesterday's marathon. The route it follows, you see. is like a race through the American psyche, through the dream and the nightmare and back to the dream. And in the best traditions of schmaltz, it finishes with a smile on its face surrounded by opulence, with unhappiness and uncertainty flailing away out

It starts where so many New York stories begin, in Brook-lyn and Queens, boroughs where immigrants have traditionally settled in their pursuit of success in the New World. It is a place of striving and working that the runners pass through at the beginning of their own journey.

It is a place where, just as in the marathon, the weak and the vulnerable fall by the wayside: A ten-year-old Polish boy was killed in crossfire near the wide expanse of Fourth Avenue where the runners caught up with the lead-

#### The giddy populace is still rejoicing at the surprise success of the Yankees in the baseball World Series'

ing wheelchair athletes yester day and littered the road with empty cups from drinking stations. He was shot by a youth seeking revenge on comebody who had thrown an

From Queens, as the field widened out and the runners left the reggge bands of Bedford-Stryvesant and the Jew-ish neighbourhood of Crown Heights behind, the runners were given a taste of the high life, a brief excursion into Manhattan via the Queensboro Bridge, a brief sight of the promised land.

The elation is short-lived, though. The race progresses past the rare air of Upper West Side after 18 miles and treks through Spanish Harlem, where gangs with comic book names like The Fantastic Partners boast of their bloody rule by painting murals. At one street corner yesterday, the

feet of 20 or 30 champagne bottles arranged at the foot of a wall in a semi-circle as a bizarre tribute to a murdered

And just when the runners may be hitting the wall, the marathon chooses to take them through the Bronx, the borough of Fort Apache, where another cop killer is on the loose. Few of the New Yorkers who made up 48 per cent of yesterday's field ever venture into this area. They got a fleeting glimpse yesterday, just two miles, before they headed back to

The end of the journey, of course, arrived in a neighbourhood that represents the height of most finishing line in Central Park is in the shadow of Donald Trump's newest and most

Joyce Chepchumba, from Kenya, finished a failing

There were a few, of course, who did not see the race as the panacea it is presented as. The yellow cab drivers were unhappy because of the extra traffic the runners and their families brought to Manhattan, the police were overworked trying to keep the

The biggest loser, though apart from the usual unfortunates who staggered across the city's streets in crazpatterns of exhaustion, was Adolfo Zapata, a Queens resident, who was charged with fraud two days before the race. He had allegedly been claiming sick pay because of an injured foot for 18 months before he was caught on film finishing last year's race in 12 minutes under three

TOMORROW

Why the Giants are putting their faith in youth to restore

## **Lone sailors** set off into teeth of gale

By Edward Gorman, sailing correspondent

THE Vendée Globe singlehanded non-stop round-theworld race, which can truly claim to be the "world's toughest yacht race", got under way yesterday with two Britons. Pete Goss, on Aqua Quorum. and Tony Bullimore, on Global Challenger, among the 16 starters at Les Sables d'Olonne, in France, for the

the third running of the event. The race takes the field eastabout around Antarctica, by way of the Cape of Good Hope and Cape Horn, in a voyage of some 22,000 miles. The record is 109 days, set by the Frenchman, Titouan Lamazou, on Ecureuil d'Aquitaine in 1990.

The Vendee Globe is a downwind safari, open to boats of between 50 and 60ft, which are designed like huge surfboards with massive sail areas. In the past, the attrition rate has been high. Only half the 14 yachts made it to the finish in 1992 and one skipper, Nigel Burgess, drowned within a week of the start.

Yesterday, more than 3,500 spectator craft plus an estimated 300.000 people on shore, watched the fleet head off into a southwesterly gale sweeping through the Bay of Biscay. By the last turning mark, the field was being led by Yves Parlier, on his innovative Finot-designed 60ft sloop, Aquitaine Innovations, which was dismasted in this year's singlehanded transatiantic race. Parlier had a lead of about a mile on his rivals after just 50 minutes of racing.

Behind him were two more Frenchmen, Bertrand de Broc. on Votre Nom Autour Du Monde, and Hervé Laurent, on Groupe LGI. Then came the Belgian, Patrick de Radigues, on Full Immersion, before a group of three yachts led by the Canadian, Gerry Rouis, on Groupe LG2, followed by Hungary's Nandor Fa. on Budapest, and the leading French yachtswoman. Isabelle Autissier, on her brand new Finot 60. PRB, complete with swing keel and

a multimillion-pound budget. Among the more cautious starters was one of the favourites. Christophe Auguin, on the modified Finot-60, Geodis, which now also sports a canting keel Goss was further back but, despite being the only 50-footer in the race, was not last. Speaking from the Adrian Thompsondesigned Aqua Quorum within 30 minutes of the start. his enthusiasm came over loud and clear. "This is the big one. this is a once in a lifetime this is it," said the former Royal Marine and British Steel Challenge skipper who has sold his house and gone

into debt to the tune of more

than £80,000 to take part.

"I don't feel the underdog," he said. "I've got a little boat with a big heart." He is aiming for a top-five finish and wants to be inside Lamazou's record.

His main fears concern getting through The Doldrums and then taking on the challenge of the Southern Ocean on his own for the first time. "It's a race against yourself as much as anything." he said. "I have knowledge of every aspect of it apart from being on my own for that length of time. We'll just have

Realistically, Goss knows that he cannot win unless all the top 60-footers meet with misfortune. However, he can beat some of them, as he showed in the single-handed transatlantic when, despite a knockdown, he finished a



Goes: smallest boat



strong second in class and ahead of several of the bigger

Since then he has modified Aqua Quorum, reprofiling her rudders adding some nev sails and altering the spartan accomodation to make it safer and more comfortable. Howin the fleet, of £450,000, he has been unable to do everything he wanted.

Bullimore who has 26 Atlantic crossings to his name plus victory in the 1985 round Britain and round Europe races, has embarked on his first round-the-world attempt on the 60ft Global Challenger, despite having failed to find a sponsor, a hoped-for deal falling through at the last minute.

#### HOCKEY

#### Rare bond inspires Olton

BY A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

OLTON pride themselves on the family spirit within the women's National League club, so it was almost too good to be true to hear their teenage striker, Kerry Moore, yelling mum" when she wanted the left defender to release a long ball down the line. Lyn Moore duly obliged and the talented former England under-18 player set off on another of her

weaving runs. The Birmingham team are justifiably proud of fielding the mother-and-daughter combination in their first divi-

sion side and they are beginning to feel even better after beating Chelmsford 4-1 to extend their winning start to five matches.

Their ambitious youth policy and the sport's clean, family image has attracted the region's promising teenagers. And the former England international, Gavin Featherstone. has used his impressive coaching skills to inspire the team that has an average age of 24 and nine players in England junior squads On Saturday the Moores

#### Cannock dig deep to find room at the top

CANNOCK survived a blistering attack by Teddington at Chiswick yesterday to win 4-3 and take over the premier division leadership of the National League on goal difference (Sydney Friskin writes).

The half-time score of 1-1 did little justice to the fluency of both sides. McGuire, who went on to claim a hat-trick, opened the scoring for Teddington after 13 minutes before Organ equalised for Cannock from a short corner ll minutes later.

Goals by Mayer, Crutchley and Parnham put Cannock 4-I ahead, but McGuire then inspired Teddington's revival with two late goals to leave Cannock clinging precariously to their advantage.
Old Loughtonians let a 3-1

advantage slip at home to East Grinstead and ultimately had to settle for a 3-3 draw. Dover, Thompson and Morrison scored for Old Loughtonians, with Gibson hitting the target twice to bring East Grinstead back into the match. A minute before the end of the match; Bell pounced to level the

scores, with the home team reduced to nine men after Thompson had been put under temporary suspension. Reading were beaten 5-3 by Guildford after leading 2-1 at the interval. Hall scored three goals in six minutes for Guildford, with Ward and Markham adding the others. Howard Hoskin and Pearn. with a brace, scored for Reading, who dropped to third position behind Old

Loughtonians. Strugglers Hounslow and Canterbury fought out a I-I draw at Chiswick, while Southgate lost ground after a 2-2 stalemate with Surbiton. Beeston's 50 win over Sheffield consolidated their position at the top of the first

played alongside the Wright sisters, Lucilla, 16, and Sally. 18, both schoolgirl internation als and both on hockey bursaries at Bromsgrove School. Barbara Hambly, the former England and Great Britain captain, completely dominated the midfield and Lucilla Wright enhanced her reputation as a sharpshooter by cracking in two penalty-corner

Lyn Moure, who is 40 next month, said she gave Kerry her first stick when she was four years old. "It's marvellous to play alongside her and good for my game because it keeps me going." Kerry said:
"We run in the park together, train at the gym and on the local pitch and she's the first one to mag me if I don't."

Featherstone was typically upbeat about the future. "We want to be European champions and if that means overtaking Sutton Coldfield as Birmingham's premier club, then so be it. I also believe four of our players could represent Great Britain at the 2000

While the veteran Hambly accepted her player-of-thematch award, her husband, Richard, gently cradled Jo Reddy's six-week-old son. Reddy has been a stalwart over the years and hopes to be back in action after Christmas. At this rate Olton could almost have secured their place in the Premiership next

Across the city. Sutton Coldfield were contemplating a heavy 6-1 defeat at the hands the unbeaten leaders, Slough, and Doncaster were celebrating their first league win over Hightown after crushing the champions 8-2. off-the-ball movement.

#### Stowe festival proves long day for lacrosse hopefuls

lavish tower block, a place

overlooked by apartments be-longing to film stars such as

Woody Allen, Al Pacino and

Barbra Streisand. Famous

and Madonna met their part-

Italian, Giacomo Leone, sur-

prised everyone by outlasting

the posse of African athletes

that had been expected to

monopolise the men's race. He

finished in 2hr 9min 54sec, 15

seconds ahead of Turbo

Tumme, from Ethiopia, and

two minutes ahead of Cosmas

Ndeti, the Kenyan pre-

The women's race was a

much closer affair, ending in a

tight three-way battle that

reached a climax in Central

Park. It was won by a Roma-

nian, Anuta Catuna, in a time

of 2hr 28min 18sec. She

edged out Franca Fiacconi,

race favourite, who

At the end of it all, an

ners here.

ers like John F Kennedy Jr

LACROSSE is certainly not a game for faint hearts. In the neo-classical splendour of Stowe School on Saturday, the rain teemed down and the day must have seemed endless for some of the 78 players.

During the morning, the Midlands County Junior Tournament was held with every team having a minimum of 80 minutes of intense activity. Then, after lunch, the outstanding girls were in ac-tion again in trials to pick the 20-strong regional representative squad.

Many of the girls had endured a total of two hours' exercise with the pressure in the morning of performing well for their team and in the afternoon for themselves.

In games such as football or hockey, this would be severe enough. However, every time one sees lacrosse, one is struck by the amount of effort involved. The long, sustained surging runs up and down and across the field, behind the goals, and even round the spectators, since boundary lines are arbitrary, mean it is a sport with a premium on speed and endurance.

With the girls understandably tiring in the afternoon and therefore more prone to making mistakes, choosing the best players was awkward for the selectors. Alison Hunt, of St Helen &

St Katharine School in Oxfordshire, who chaired the selectors, said: "It was exceedingly difficult this year as it was such a strong tournament. We can look at the players' stickwork skills. The on-the-ball stuff is more obvious but we also watch a girl's

going to be."



has got the ball to know what to do. It is more what she is capable of doing when she hasn't got it. We have to look at her awareness in defensive situations." Di Gamble, head of lacrosse

at Stowe, added: "Selectors watch the versatility of play-ers, whether they can both attack and defend. The game has not only become more closely regulated over the last 20 years but players are ambidextrous, being able to hold the sticks on both sides. They are also much fitter."

There was no doubt about that on Saturday. In the hectic 20-minute tournament matches, Buckinghamshire, bristling with girls from Wycombe Abbey, won all their four games. They topped the table in a competition which had been won four times in the previous five years by the combined Oxford and Warwickshire team.

In their final game, Buckinghamshire overwhelmed Shropshire 5-0 with Venetia Browne, 16, from Wycombe Abbey, scoring two of the seven goals she netted during the morning. Dodging and twisting round defenders, she was clusive near goal and shot with rare accuracy, sometimes

turf so that the goalkeeper found it more difficult to intercept. She said: "When you do that, the goalkeeper does not know where the ball is

As for her future, Browne added: "First, I want to get into the Midlands squad and then I would love to get into the England party." She completed the first of these two ambitions during the afternoon.

Another girl to make the Midlands party was Sarah Laver, 17, from Moreton Hall, tacks was impressive in the Shropshire team despite their heavy defeat. She said: "That was our worst game. We could have done much better but we were so tired and not on the ball. The Wycombe girls are so aggressive and know what is going on."

Worcestershire, made up of girls from Malvern Girls College and Alice Ottley School, took some time to blend their

One of their leading players, Juliet Tetley, 16, who is also hoping to represent the national under-17 cricket team next year, had an England lacrosse trial last year. "I was a bit in awe of everything last year. I was quite young. But it's definitely a target for this

MEDLARES SCRAMD: Y Browne (Wycombe Abbey), A Jarrati (Wycombe Abbey), A Jarrati (Wycombe Abbey), A Jarrati (Wycombe Abbey), B Strenge (Wycombe Abbey), R Turner (Si Helen & Si Katharine), A Dirnis St Helen & Si Katharine), A Goddard (Moreton Hell), R Cecil-Wright (Moreton Hell), B Lewer (Moreton Hell), P Cont (Moreton Hell), F Richards (Moreton Hell), P Control (Moreton Hell), F Richards (Moreton Hell), F Richards (Moreton Hell), R Leidlaw (Alice Ottey), R MacAurtam (Alice Ottey), R MacAurtam (Alice Ottey), R Devias (Alice Ottey), K Devias (Alice Ottey). MEDIANOS SCILIAD: Y Browne (Wyco)

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RUGBY UNION

# Australian power finally grinds down gallant Scots

Glasgow/Edinburgh XV 19 Australia XV ....

BY MARK SOUSTER

AUSTRALIA rumble on, improving immeasurably with each performance. Their fourth consecutive victory maintains their 100 per cent tour record, and at its heart. was a display of power, pace and aggression from their forwards, among whom Richard Harry was outstanding. and a sublime display by David Knox at stand-off half that ensured the good work

was not wasted. This side plays attractive running rugby whatever the conditions, and they were dreadful at Old Anniesland. but the main ingredient was the old-fashioned maul, simple effective and built on brute strength, but given a new twist by the speed at which it is executed. They used the driving maul as their ultimate weapon of attack, a hugely effective ploy which led to three of their five tries, and

totally legal is another matter. The touring team often appeared to have a man in front of the player in possession when using a tactic that Scotland were unable to answer on their tour to Australia in 1992. Nonetheless, Scotland will quickly have to find a way to counter it.

The Australians will argue that they were merely transferring the ball backwards to ensure momentum, but as

Full weekend

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Barry Stewart, the Edinburgh prop who is likely to win his second cap at Murrayfield on Saturday, pointed out, "it seemed a bit odd not being able to get near the man with the ball because he is right at the back with a wall of bodies in front of him. We must anticipate it and attack the move at source before they build up a head of steam. We should hit the man hard in the

#### Gavin summoned to reinforce tour party

By MARK Souster

THE Australia tour party yesterday sent for a third replacement - Tim Gavin, the New South Wales No 8 -as it wrestles with a mounting injury crisis.

Gavin, 32, the holder of 46 caps, replaces Mark Connors. who ruptured medial ligaments in the defeat of Glasgow/Edinburgh XV. He will take no further part in the tour and will return home after the international against Scotland at Murrayfield this weekend. Gavin is expected to arrive tomorrow.

Connors's injury means the touring party has now lost four of its original 30-strong having broken his ankie in Italy and Jason Little and Michael Brial picking up

knee injuries against Scotland A. David Giffen and Brett Robinson are also nursing hamstring strains. Several of the likely side for

the international will be forced to play tomorrow night against a Combined Scottish Select side in Perth. Greg Smith, the Australia coach, feels the Australian Rugby Union should have heeded his calls for a tour party of at least 32 from the outset. "New Zealand and South Africa now both take 36 players on tour, so their Test team is protected," he said. "In this professional era it's crazy that we are risking our Test play-

Smith is expected to announce a 21-man squad to play Scotland on Wednesday.

When one considers that six of the home pack were under the age of 22, and conceding 12st a man, they could be forgiven for falling prey to a tactic which the referee condoned. They scrummaged well and will be better for the experience.

Given the heavy conditions and driving rain, the Australians kept faith with their desire to run the ball wide for Campese and Tune to indulge themselves, with Roff making telling incursions from full back. Gregan was an efficient his partnership with Knox. whom Bob Dwyer maintains has the "best hands" of any stand-off in the world, was the catalyst for much of the free-

wheeling back play.

Despite this advantage behind the scrum, only a point separated the two sides after an hour when Logan had capitalised on smart work by Scott Hastings for a converted try which left the sooreline 20-19 in Australia's favour. That followed a try by Campese, who rounded off a sweeping cross-field move, the platform for which had been a

50-yard driving maul.

Donaldson kicked three penalty goals in the first half, to offset a penalty by Knox who, crucially, also scored a try in the minute before halftime to add to their opening try by Connors. He was later to retire with a knee injury. As against Scotland A. the Australians pulled away in the last quarter, adding tries by Manu and Wilson.



Beveridge is brushed aside by Welborn as Australia mount another attack at Old Annuesland

#### Cambridge warm to global tests

Cambridge University .. 11 South Africa A ...

By PETER BILLA

SOME things in life, thank goodness, never change. Amid the flurry of league and cup matches, Cambridge on an autumn afternoon offers a timeless appeal.

The students contesting a

vigorous match in their usual lively manner, the familiar after-match gathering beside the coke fire in the main pavilion before retiring for tea and sticky buns at Selwyn College. Then, an organ recital in the magnificent chapel of King's College. Days like this are to be treasured.

The rugby was no irrele-vance. Cambridge are adapting to the changing era with a very different fixture list. ere once the likes of Harlequins, Cardiff, London Scottish and Blackheath now come South Africa A, the French Barbarians, Queensland and Western Samoa.

The university authorities are to be congratulated for their enterprise in changing times. The South Africa A side were worthy opponents, as indicated by a winning tally of seven tries to one in the opening match of their tour. They only arrived on Thursday but, with ten of their team having had Currie Cup experience this season, there was no

lack of quality and power. Cambridge, shrewd chaps, have already recognised the attributes of the outstanding player on the pitch on Saturday, the South Africa full back du Toit. Anvone who can run as fast and strongly, kick the ball with his power and show such determination has the credentials to achieve a con-

siderable amount. so — they have intimated that seven of their likely team for the player's wish to read law University match: judgment

thought of a player who runs and kicks like a stag bringing his skills to Grange Road is delicious. Du Toit scored one marvellous try from 65 yards in the first minute of the second half - the best effort of the match — and, two minutes later, provided the link for another by Van der Walt. He then punished Ashforth for missing touch by landing a dropped goal from 50 metres out near the left touchline and

scored his second try from a Cambridge were desperately short because of the worst series of injuries most can recall. Nevertheless, they stuck to their task gamely. Hyde scored their try from close range after 53 minutes but, by then, the South Africans had established a 36-6

strode onto Grange Road, at the university would be must, therefore, be deferred.

looked upon favourably. The They will, though, have learnt thought of a player who runs much from this experience.

#### Weakened Samoans unable to shake off early rust

Saracens ..... Western Samoa XV...... 40

BY BRYAN STILES

IN THE harsh new rugby world of the professional, it is endearing teams from coun-tries like Western Samoa who are feeling the chilly blast most Money - or lack of it probably prevented them from making a winning start to their II-match tour of England, Ireland and Wales

on Saturday.

They could not call on the services of up to a dozen players because they were contracted to finish their seasons with Japanese clubs, or were injured in competitions they had been committed to in New Zealand.

As a result, they have been forced to regard this as a development tour in the build-up to the next World Cup in 1999. Had they had the money enjoyed by the leading world utions, they would have been able to pay their players to stay loyal. "If only we had the money Saracens have," Bryan Williams, the more said in heartfelt the coach, said in heartfelt

As one of the Cinderellas of the rugby circuit, the Samo-ans may not have much in the bank, but they invariably bring a dash of excitement to any fancy ball to which they are invited. In Fanoius, at centre, Filemu, at scrum half, and Feaunati, at No 8, they have match-winners who should delight those who like



fast. Fanolus, in particular. frequently showed breathtaking skills and pace to baffle the Saracens defence and

score two tries. The tour team were, however, caught cold and, in the first 20 minutes, Saracens, with Richard Hill in superisdown to rustiness and the

Samoans had had. be tries to banish the errors that tripped up his team on a number of occasions. He will need sterner stuff - not the

Wind as they vainly tried to catch up.

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tive form again, rattled up 34 points. This, Williams put little preparation time that the Williams will be looking for more than entertainment as

kind that brought yellow cards for Ta'ala (high tackle) and Reidy (punching) - if they are to win their sole international match, against Ireland on November 12. He has two games to lick his charges into shape.
"We must get rid of the rust," Williams said, after seeing his side fall 39-23

behind by the interval and then throw caution to the wind as they vainly tried to

#### Rendall courts new image

IT IS hard to equate the successful director of rugby. clad in blazer and tie, with the image of a man they used to "The Judge".

Today, Paul Rendall is a and successful coach. In days gone by, the mere mention of his name would put fear into the hearts of newly-capped internationals. His punishments in the England team's kangaroo court were legendary. Now he is proving that he is as adept at dispensing coaching advice as he was at passing judgment.

He has taken Bracknell through one of the most successful seasons in their history. Promotion to South West second division East was followed by victory in the Berkshire Cup, which earned them qualification for the Pilkington Cup for the first time this season.

Now they sit comfortably at the top of their new division with a 100 per cent record in league matches. They cruised through the early rounds of the Pilkington Cup and, on Saturday, played Esher in the

Unfortunately for Brack-nell, Esher are another side with an impressive recent record. They are coached by Hugh McHardy, the former Alison Kervin sees

Esher bypass the

Bracknell bandwagon Harlequins player who previ-ously coached Blackheath and

Rosslyn Park. They, too, were promoted last season and are the holders of the Surrey Cup. The two unbeaten teams met at Esher in front of a large crowd, and the home side soon established their superiority. Their forwards were the key to their success but the kicking skills of Ray Dudman were a considerable contributory factor. The former Harlequins full back's place-kicking was exemplary, and he also added a dropped goal, a conversion

and two penalties. Esher's front row did the damage in the first half, with Andy White, the prop, scoring two tries. He was followed over the line by Christian Garner, the hooker.

Bracknell's reply through Howard Lamb, the No 8. Added to a penalty try and dropped goal, the score stood 26-15 at half-time, and stayed that way until the final

This is obviously disap-

mined to get promotion," Rendall said. "There are lots of great players here, and we hope to get some more quality men on board this season. We have a pot of £20,000 for player payments, which means there is some incentive. No other team in our division

has that." Esher, delighted with their victory, were adamant they do not pay their players. Peter Cook, the commercial manager, said: "No money goes to the players - that would be a big mistake. We have been concentrating on getting the administration and commercial side of the club in order first: without that you won't have resources in the future to invest." It would seem that the issues and disagreements raised by professionalism are already making an impact a long way down the rugby

SCORERS: Either Trees: Whas (2), Gamer, Conversion: Dudman Penalty goals: Dudman (2) Dropped goal: Dudman, Stracknet: Tries: Lamb, penalty ity, Conversion: Nowak, Dropped goal; Longden

EBHER: A Beny, D Cobertl, K Marchant, Alexander, N Williams, R Dudman, Goodwin; A White, C Gerner, J Deves, Rose, P Mole, J Towns, P Vaughan,

BRACKNELL: M Tipper, A Poole, P Mably, N Longdon G Whitaker B Nowak, A Box E Strong, R Tumer, G Mosses, J Tumer, A Leishman, C Steven, L Price, H Lamb

#### Newcastle step up pressure

NEWCASTLE have threatened to withdraw players from the national squads of Scotland and Ireland next weekend unless their seconddivision game with Rotherham on Saturday can be postponed (David Hands

writes). Last season, if any club had three or more players required for international duty, they could ask for a league game to be rearranged. Now that rule applies only to England-qualified players: next Friday, Scotland require George Graham and Peter Walton, for their A side against South Africa A. Doddie Weir and Gary Armstrong are in the Scotland squad to play Australia on Saturday and Ireland seek Nick Popplewell and Ross

Nesdale for training for the match against Western Samoa on November 12. Newcastle's position was nade more urgent by their 19-18 defeat at Coventry on Saturday, which cost them the leadership of the Courage Clubs Championship second division from which only one

boill So

#### Neighbours shown door THE Rugby Football Union has a new competition this

season. Entitled the Rugby Football Union Intermediat Clubs Knockout Competition - the Inter Cup - it is open to those clubs that neither qualify for the Pilkington Cup nor number among the bottom 512 of the league system in England and thereby compete in the junior clubs' cup. Mirroring those competitions, it offers a final at Twickenham.

Necessarily, many clubs on the fringe of the national league structure are expected to be to the fore, among them. Wimbledon, from London L. Then, on Saturday, at 104 Contenham Park Road ("large garden"), they produced what was generally regarded as their worst performance for three or more seasons in a 24-9 bours, Old Wimbledonians, a place among the 64 clubs that will contest the fourth round on November 23.

Considering that Esher, who secured a place in the fourth round of the Pilkington Cup on Saturday, number among Wimbledon's London I rivals, they should have won easily against opponents struggling in London II South, but their play was too stereotypical to unhinge an Old

Barry Trowbridge on

a form upset in the new cup competition

Wimbledonians XV seemingly hell-bent on proving which side of The Ridgeway houses the top dogs.
Off the pitch, Wimbledon harbour grand ambitions.

Tony Mann, the club's press and publicity secretary, and Paul Hughes, the commercial manager, spoke enthusiastically of senior status before the end of the century, planning permission for expansion of their facilities and lucrative sponsorship deals, but a few more performances like thisfrom their chosen representatives will leave them asking

It would be easy to suggest that Wimbledon peaked a week too early — the 40-8 demolition of Guildford and Godalming providing the perfect build-up for a cup-tie - or that injuries to a couple of key players had left them vulnerable, but, wherever they tried to play, Wimbledonians outnumbered them to ensure a flood of second-phase possession, and, after a torrid start in set pieces, looked, and proved,

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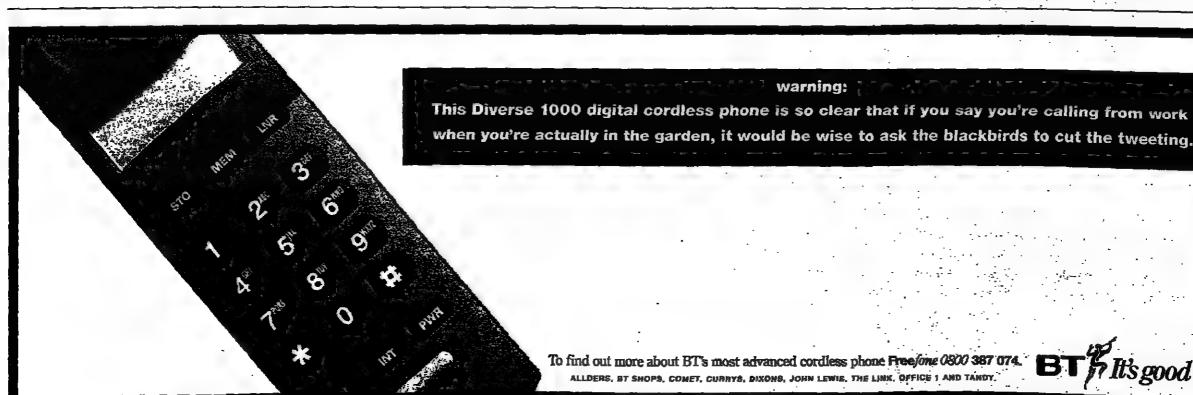
ing a try. Whenever they had possession, Kym Graham, at full back, and Rob Perkins and

the only side capable of scor-

Roger Brosch, in the centre, looked likely to find a way through, while in the lineout. Wimbledonians lost hardly a ball. In contrast, had Wimbledonians gone home early, Wimbledon would have somehow found a blind alley to run up or dropped the simplest of Two tries in five minutes early in the second half, to make the score 21-6 - one the

excellent awarding of a penalty try when Wimbledonians had a clear overlap and the ball was knocked on deliberately - made the numerical difference, but Wimbledon were already on the way out. Cultured kicking by Des Nangle, the Wimbledonians stand-off half, did the rest. Stand-Off half, did the rest.

SCORERS: Old Wimbledonians: Tries:
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#### RUGBY UNION: DEFEAT LEAVES LLANELLI FACING DEMANDING QUARTER-FINAL TIE AGAINST BRIVE

# Healey steers Leicester into the clear

Llanelli

BY DAVID HANDS RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

THE presence at Welford Road on Saturday of Fran Cotton, arch proponent of divisional rugby, served to intensify the debate over the intrinsic value of the Heineken Cup. With each round of European competition, the impression hardens that players are now getting that extra level of intensive play which Cor-ton, the British Isles manager for the tour of South Africa next year, suggests the artifi-cially created divisions would give them.

The sadness is that, while experienced players such as Dean Richards and leuan Evans acknowledge the fillip



that Europe has given late in their careers, so few in England can appreciate the fact. Television may catch up with the competition at the quarterfinal stage, the weekend of November 16 and 17, by which time some of the best rugby will have come and gone.
"It's a joke," Bob Dwyer, the

Leicester director of rugby, said after his club became one of only two teams to reach the knockout stage unbeaten. "If we are trying to get more people attached to the game. we have taken a wrong-step. Even so, when people see the success of this season's competition, they will be anxious to latch on to it next year."

Dwyer, like some 8,000 of Leicester's followers, remains a frustrated man. He was content that his side should win by scoring four tries, yet dismayed by the opportunides len hang November air. For the second time in eight days, it required a brilliant piece of individualism to make the game safe for Leicester. In Pau a week earlier, it had come from Leon Lloyd and, here, it was from Austin Healey, with one of the outstanding tries of the tournament.

As a scrum half, Healey requires, in Dwyer's words, "some tidying up", but his aggressive instincts and devastating pace are gifts Leicester must find ways of releasing consistently. Llanelhi, short of seven first-team players, refused to concede ground in any area and found space in midfield that Leicester could not. Thus Matthew Wintle, not for the first time, carved through for a try which, with Botica's conversion, restored the lead to the Weish club at 16-15.



Lloyd, the promising Leicester wing, tries to get the better of Ieuan Evans during the match at Welford Road, Photograph: Des Jenson

Then came Healey, released by John Liley after Proctor's failure to find touch. The scrum half, just short of his own ten-metre line, looked right then set off to the left, round the advancing Lianelli forwards and a little show of the ball carried him deep intoopen space; with the corner flag in sight he pinned back his ears and, despite Moon's best effort, completed a 70-

BY DAVID HANDS

ENGLAND and France are

assured of representation in

the semi-finals of the

Heineken Cup, courtesy of

quarter-finals that take Har-

equins to Leicester and Tou-

loose to Dax. Spare a

thought for Pontypried,

though. An earlier pool A

victory over Bath counted

for nothing as their defeat by

Dax on Saturday forced

them out of the quarter-

finals because their points

difference is inferior to that

Llanelli's survival de-

pended on Pau losing to

Leinster at Donnybrook,

which they duly did, 25-23,

but only because Alan

McGowin kicked a 51-metre

When his ability as a cover defender is added ("He makes

tackles Ken Catchpole would have been proud of," Dwyer said, and any comparison with one of Australia's great scrum haives should be cherished). Healey is a considerable package. But his coach makes the point that he would benefit from greater tactical

England guaranteed semi-final place

QUARTER-FINAL DRAWS

Sunday.

metre run with a dive that deserved to be exultant:

nous on the field. "He has a quiet bunch with him here," Dwyer said. "If he had some more definite direction behind him, it would help a fair bit."

That, of course, is the qualiwhich exists in midfield at Harlequins, whom Leicester will play at home in the quarter-final. Llanelli must make a trip to Brive, but they derived considerable benefits from the hard-driving Wyatt

pressed a preference for

It has yet to be confirmed

whether each of the home

clubs will be required to

make a £25,000 contribution

to the away team, or whether

a division of the gate receipts

final been determined. The

semi-finals are scheduled for

January 4 and 5 and there is

speculation that the final

may be played either the

next week, before the start of

Nor has the date for the

will be required.

and Vernon Cooper, 19, who tackled one of England's more experienced second-row partnerships with relish and no

Only when they were temporarily reduced to 14 men did Llanelli concede their early lead. Perego required attention to a cut mouth and, before he could be replaced, Leicester scored in the area where Llanelli were short, Johnson's

the five nations' champion

ship, or before the end of

January. It would be far

better to complete the com-

petition before it becomes

ensnarled in the five na-

tions', thus a final date -

possibly January 12 at

Twickenham - will be con-

idered, even though there is

a full league programme in

In the European Confer-

ence, the second-tier compe-

tition, Northampton stand

alone against the might of

France in the quarter-linals,

but at least they face Nar-

benne at home. All four

pCol-winners were unbesten

but Swansea were edged out

of a quarter-final when

Bègles-Bordeaux ran up 93 points against Ebbw Vale.

England the previous day.

successive misses at goal. Leicester continue with the younger Liley, despite having the club's record points-scorer. John Liley, in their ranks because they want to see the older brother justify his place as a full back.

tap-down gave Drake-Lee the

chance to force his way through a less-densely popu-

lated area and Leicester's in-

terval lead would have been

greater than 10-9 had Rob

Liley not started a run of six

Lloyd popped up on his iavoured wing, the right, to take Greenwood's overhead pass and enhance the Leicester lead but, well-marshalled by Botica, Llanelli responded in style through Wintle. Had Botica not hit a post with a penalty from pointblank range, Llanelli might have entered the final minutes trailing by no more than a point, but Leicester worked Rowntree over from a lineout and were able, for the first

time, to relax. SCURERS: Lalossier: Trise: Crales-Lee.
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the speed and dexterity dem-onstrated by Keith Wood in

broken play. It was their third game in six days and, after

defeats by Brive and Sale, they

were pleased with a victory

that included nine tries and

What, though, does one

make of Will Carling's

goalkicking? He had ten at-

few injuries.

## **Pontypridd** undone by Dourthe

Pontypridd...

FROM GERALD DAVIES

THIS was a struggle of equal teams with different tactical approaches. Dax enjoyed the freedom of the open spaces. whereas Pontypridd preferred control and steadiness in the close quarters. It proved a fascinating contest. At the end of a tense, difficult and often exciting match, the home team had proved itself worthy to go through to the Heineken Cup quarter-finals, and a home tie against Toulouse, having scored the only try of the match within two minutes of

Pontypridd left the European field with honour. Having won their previous three matches, which included bringing down the Bath colours, they had created a considerable reputation. They are a team with a big heart. not a fat cheque-book. Dennis John, their coach, has made a team, not bought one. They are, as the Dax fraternity would say, born in the same church: the players come from within hearing distance of the same bells.

This was always going to be their great test. It is all very well taking on the high and mighty on your own pitch in front of a fervently partisan crowd, it is quite another to travel further afield and do the same against the powerful clubs of France.

This was not simply a brave and courageous effort - the usual epithets which are applied in these circumstances. Pontypridd gave as good as they got. They were there at the end, putting on the pressure, and Dax just managed to survive their final onslaught. Pontypridd have restored faith in Welsh club rugby and proved that they can compete at this level.

But a good start for them came hopelessly adrift. Having won several rucks. Paul John was dispossessed and Mola kicked on the loose ball from the halfway line and won e chase to bet his fourth t of the competition after 90 seconds. Dourthe converted. It was quite a ladder for the

visitors to climb. While they were able to control the ball, Pontypridd exerted pressure but, in attempting to move it in midfield, nervousness took over. To this the home team responded with verve and speed. The danger signals were always lit when Dax counterattacked, with Giordani and Tauzin both inventive with a ball in their hands.

Yet it was the visitors who scored next. Given a penalty on the halfway line, the touch earlier high French tackle. which allowed Jenkins to kick his first penalty from the 22metre line. The home team was guilty

of consistently killing the ball on the ground. To the consternation of the home crowd, their team was penalised seven times in succession and mostly for the same offence. Given three opportunities to kick at goal, Jenkins was successful in giving his team a 12-7 lead after 30 minutes. The Dax centres continued to play with some superb

sleight of hand in midfield and to open wide the visitors' defence. From one such move, the line was at Gouaillard's mercy, but he dropped the Pontypridd proved equal to

this, with Jenkins prompting a counter-attack from his own Z2-metre line. Lloyd and Manley continued a thrilling move, which came to an end just short of the Dax tryline.

As frustration grew among the home players, so their errors increased. Paul John and Jenkins invariably punished them with astute kicks. The half ended with the visitors keeping matters tightly under control.

Yet the Pontypridd scrum at

European results and final pool tables..... Page 40

no time looked comfortable and, with McIntosh attempting to run out of defence from the restart. Dax exerted their power. From the ensuing melee, Pontypridd were penalised and Dourthe reduced the deficit.

The contrast in play was by now clear. Dax looked for the loose and breakaway moves. their opponents looked to the and Rowley secured the kind of steady possession which allowed Pontypridd their style. Their defence, particularly the two Lewises in the centre, brought to a halt the impromptu Dax attacks. These were full of promise but they were rarely fulfilled.

the end. It was Pont pridd who were creating the greater pressure and twice narrowly failed to cross their opponents' line. The contest was thus decided by the kicking abilities of Dourthe and Jenkins. The Frenchman had

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#### Toulouse restore honour by demolishing Munster

FROM NICOLAS ANDREWS

IN TOULOUSE

IT WAS, according to L'Equipe on Saturday morning, a question of pride, a matter of honour. Never before, in 21 years as a Toulouse player and now coach, had Guy Noves suffered such an indignity as the 77-17 defeat at Wasps the previous week.

Toulouse did not show their real face last Saturday." Novès said. We were really upset," Thomas Castaignède. the France centre, added. "We will never forget it. We don't know what happened. Today, we wanted to show the real Toulouse, and that the Wasps game was a mistake."

Only victory in the final, and the consequent retention of the Heineken Cup, will make up for the defeat at Loftus Road, Noves said, and, while the margin of success at Les Sept Deniers on Saturday failed to reflect a gallant Munster contribution to the first hour, it certainly put their hosts back on track.

"They are a fabulous side," Mick Galwey, the Munster captain said. "In the last 20 minutes they were in a differ-

ent league." Munster, of course, had already beaten Wasps in what Colm Tucker, their manager, called "the group of death". but they gave themselves little chance here by conceding 17 points in the first 17 minutes. First Califano, the rampaging Toulouse prop, emerged from a driving maul to power over after Ougier had set up the position. Then Marfaing

beat Wallace to the touchdown after Deyland had cleverly kicked through. The stand-off half converted both, to add to a second-minute penalty.
"It was an uphill battle after that," Tucker said, but battle

Munster did, and a scrum against the head in the 31st minute reflected how the Irish forwards clawed their way back into the game. Had they succeeded with

try scoring opportunities on either side of half-time, things might have been different. instead, it was Mariaing, with the second of three tries, who got the crucial first score in the second period, after Deyland had dummied McCahill, and there was no way back for



Ntamack: two tries

Munster after that, Berty, Califano again, Ntamack (twice) and Ougier took the province apart with some ruthless, exhilarating rugby.

goal McGowan, capped

once by Ireland, collected 20

points to go with Kurt

McQuilkin's try while Pan

scored three tries, to no avail.

ly to be staggered over the weekend of November 16-17

and European Rugby Cup (ERC) officials met yester-

day, and will meet again

today, to consider the run-

ning order. French television

would hope for a live game

each day while Cardiff, at

home to Bath, have ex-

The quarter-finals are like-

Corkery did touch down for the only Munster try in the final minute to cap an impressive individual display. Foley. too, and Keane, kicking brave ly under pressure from 14,000 intimidating Toulousains, did themselves credit.

Corkery was on the receiving end of 136 points in five days, after Bristol's defeat by Bath in the league last Tuesday, and he believes that only the English champions could live with the Toulouse threequarters in this mood. First, though, the French champions must travel to Dax for an all-French quarter-final and Bath must negotiate a trip to Cardiff, to play last season's beaten finalists.

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#### Carling's conversion fails to satisfy the unbelievers

Caledonia Reds ...

BY JOHN HOPKINE

**HURTLING** towards total professionalism, Harlequins have allowed few opportunities to achieve that aim to go untapped, though there was one piece of technology that they did not have under control on Saturday. Moments before the NEC Harlequins, as they are now called interminably, walked onto the pitch. The Mighty Quin blared out around the ground. It was the same at half-time but, by the end of the game, the tape had given up and the announcer was forced to apologise for the malfunction.

there was much bemusement among the 3,750 spectators, who appeared as though they were not sure it was what they wanted to hear. But that is Harlequins — or rather NEC Harlequins — for you: a ground resembling a building site, a new grandstand being built on the other side of the pitch, players' shirts with names and squad numbers on the back. Down at the Stoop Memorial Ground, they are embracing professionalism as if their lives depended on it.

and, whereas almost every

At the first notes of the song,

Which makes the efforts of Calcilonia Rads all the more meritorious. Three of their players were from third and fourth division Scottish clubs

time professional — and many full-time - only three of the visiting team were.

Caledonia trailed by only four points at half-time and again after 48 minutes. In the last 22 minutes, David McIvor, his shock of iron-grey hair covered by a black scrum cap, scored two tries. Rowen Shepherd made telling breaks into the line and, when the Harlequins midfield forgot to. tackle, as they sometimes did, Paul Rouse took advantage of such unexpected freedom.

A few years ago, one would scarcely have thought it possible to see 91 points scored and come away feeling unsatisfied and, to an extent, dissatistied. Harlequins played a customer's game, taking the lead, allowing their visitors to draw close and then pulling away again.

There is no denying the fluency of their running, the

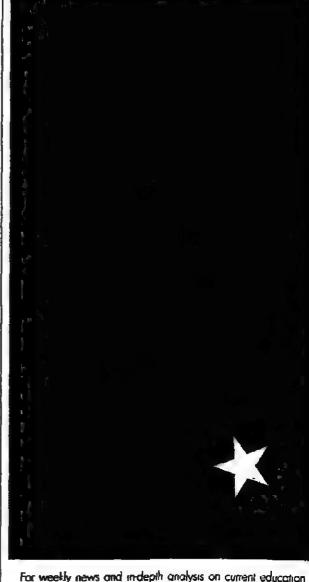


tempts and landed five of them. When Williams went off. Paul Challinor came on to play stand-off half and Car-ling reverted to centre, with Connolly on the left wing. How long are they going to persist with someone who is clearly not their best kicker? Furthermore, Harlequins conceded four tries. Perhaps it

did not matter to them. It ought to - particularly when they do not convert as many as they should.

they should.

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# How Britain's best see the academy

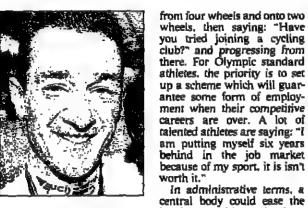


Roger Black Athlete

THERE are two reasons why we need an academy. First, it should be for the elite. The facilities and support services should be so good that a talented youngster wants to train there. It should also provide a focus for British sport, raising the awareness of sport in this country, and be a

place that people want to visit. There should be regional academies, but the central academy is vital. It is where the best doctors and research scientists should be based. It is where national squads would automatically go for sessions. For instance, our 400 metres group is about to meet in Birmingham. If there were an academy, we would automatically meet there.

For promising youngsters, it would be ideal. For athletics, we must have proper indoor facilities. This is a problem for young high jumpers, hurdlers

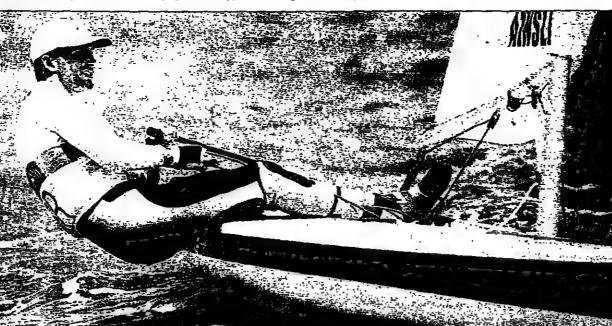


Chris Boardman Cyclist

I AM sceptical about the need for any sort of central academy. I need to be convinced that it would be effective in providing facilities for those who really want to succeed, not just e who want the easy life. in eveling, we need to start with the grass roots, initially just persuading people away

THE Government is considering 25 applications to build and run a British Academy of Sport, which is to be set up to provide a centre for future Olympic medal-winners and successful national teams. Backed with £100 million of National Lottery funding, the academy will not only have the best sports facilities in the country, to attract the elite competitors, but will provide financial backing for talented youngsters to stay and train there. It will have facilities for sports medicine, physiotherapy, coaching

and sports science. The successful bid for the academy is expected to be announced early next year. The Prime Minister has emphasised that he wants to see the academy set up on a greenfield site, probably in the Midlands, so that competitors can reach the centre easily. John Goodbody and Andrew Longmore have canvassed opinions from six Olympic medal-winners from different sports on what facilities they would like to see at the



Ben Ainslie Yachtsman

YACHTING, by its very nature, has tended to be a sport apart from the rest. Though the governing body [the Royal Yachting Association) has worked to set up a structure and develop young talent, it is often up to individuals to make their

burdens on athletes, give them

guidance and support. Simple

things like finding the best travel deals, helping with

sponsorship, pooling re-

sources. But one place cannot

be all things to all people. A tiny percentage of athletes

have the determination to

those and make their route to

the top less complicated.

own ways. It is difficult to see exactly where a central academy of sport would fit in. Ideally, there would be a coastal centre of excellence, funded and run by the central academy and including facilities for fitness training and boat repairs, for example, a focus for coaching and preparation, a place where we could hold international training camps and

Kate Howey

Judo fighter

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permanent mat area — there is really only one at the

moment in Britain - so that

national squads have a suit-

able facility. There should be

a full-time coach based at the

national coach, it should be

someone close to him or her.

If this is not the

There should be a similar medical and research set-up to the British Olympic medi-

cal centre at Northwick Park

in north London. I have found

the centre helpful for testing

and recovering from injury.

However, people from the North do not use it because it

The academy should have facilities for weight training.

swimming and running, so

one can do plenty of cross

training. Excellent facilities

will also attract elite competi-

tors from other activities, so

that judo squads can talk to

them about how they are coping with their problems. We can then help each other.

the academy open on one night a week for visitors, so

that we have different people

with whom to train. However.

to see the academy just for the

elite, who are able to stay

there for some weeks on end.

most of the time I would like

For judo, I would like to see

is too far away.

learn from other teams. The problem is that yachting is still viewed more as an expensive pastime than an Olympic sport. Otherwise, I would use a central academy as a support system, to learn about diet, nutrition, techniques of physical and mental preparation. An academy would act as a reservoir of experience and knowledge



Paul Paimer Swimmer

THE academy should be the central hub of a wheel, with other regional centres as the spokes. It should be in the middle of the country, not in London, and should have a 50-metre pool, for which the dedicated swimmers would have exclusive access. At the moment, it is very



THE priorities should be, first, youth development and, second, coaching develop-ment I would see the academy as a university of sport, somewhere talented young sportsmen and women can go to nursue their sporting careers. further their educations and, like any other university, have fun. In rowing, we have a good schools system. The problem comes after leaving school. Too many oarsmen are lost because they have to choose between rowing and educa-tion. It is vital that the academy should be a recognised centre for sport, not just a collection of regional centres, a place for athletes to train and share experiences, also an inspirational place for child-

Ideally, facilities would include a 2,000-metre six-lane rowing lake. We have one in this country, Germany has

difficult to get regular access to the few 50-metre pools in the country because clubs and members of the public use the

Leading swimmers would be attracted to the academy. whereas at the moment they largely train with their clubs. This would mean that they could work against each other and so improve their standards. There should be residential accommodation so that competitors could live a university kind of existence. Everything should be on tap: medical support, facilities for stroke analysis, gym-

When we went to Athens in Georgia last April, for a pre-Olympic training camp, we stayed on an ordinary university campus but everyone still said: "If only we had a facility such as this is in Britain." There was a 50-metre pool and the weight-training facilities were out of this world.

#### Brands Hatch cashing in on track record

Brands Hatch Leisure has undergone some-thing of a revolution over the past ten years. Once a private concern run by motor racing enthusiasts for enthusiasts, it has turned itself into a multi-leisure theme park. Profits have shot up and, on Thursday, it will become the first motor racing circuit listed on the Landon Stock

Exchange.
The decision to go where the money is, leaving the professional sport behind if need be, has transformed its fortunes. The company, while capitalising on the legendary reputation of its prize circuit, no longer feels the need to host the sporting events on which its reputation was built.

Motor racing is, ironically, the least rewarding activity of racing circuits. Events like the British Grand Prix are now. run by separate companies. who walk away with the advertising revenues and leave the venue with little more than it can collect at the gate. Nor are the supporters great spenders. Once in the grandstand, they part with little more than £14 per head.

Brands Hatch has come up with an answer. While it has not hosted the British Grand Prix for ten years, it still ranks as one of the most famous circuits in the world. The venue still has enormous puliing power and the management has found that the real money is made in packaging its circuits as a themed funfair.

not a sporting mecca.

The most successful spinoffs have been the racing schools, at Brands Hatch. Oulton Park and Snetterton, which now rake in £2 million per year. Customers are queuing up to spend up to 5240 per day living out their fantasies. For businessmen who have dreamed about racing at Brands Hatch since childhood, it is worth every penny, More profitable still are the conference facilities, where,

spending other people's money, delegates splash out on food, accommodation and other entertainment facilities, always eager to adjourn to the

Motor racing, once the raison d'etre of Brands Hatch, now brings in less than a third of ILS revenue. Nicola



tive, would like to see this reduced even further. She is happy to admit that the company's thinking can be summed up thus: if its does not make money, we will not

Brands Hatch has been richly rewarded for its conversion to the ways of the market. It has just raised £9.3 million through floating on the Stock Exchange, E5 million of which will be spent refurbishing grandstands at its four courses, and building new conference centres. But now, it is largely owned by merchant banks, who will expect a cut of profits and a say in organisation.

ilverstone, meanwhile, is adamant that it will never go down the same path. It is owned and run by the British Racing Drivers' Club (BRDS), which shares its profits with no one and puts every penny back into the

The BRDS is well aware that motor racing is not very profitable, but this causes little concern. It knows that it could boost profits by letting businessmen whizz round its tracks in go-karts. But Silverstone sees its first duty to the sport, viewing the business side as a means to an end. Profits are not growing as quickly as they could, but none of the directors is particularly bothered.

Brands Hatch once had the same ethos and, ten years ago. the directors met in a Portakabin. Foulston has spent her 20s revamping the company she inherited, and has seen its value jump by seven times. But, while the circuit still ranks alongside Silverstone in public esteem. Brands Hatch now runs its four tracks from a completely

Fraser Nelson

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#### BASKETBALL

#### Newcastle progress despite loss of New

By Nicholas Harling

THE last three first division clubs bowed out of the Classic Cola National Cup by margins of 30 points or more at the weekend — but not before one of them had provoked their celebrated Budweiser League visitors into a fit of temper. It was for flattening Daniel

Hildreth, very much an agent provocateur for Ware Rebels, that Michael New was expelled from Newcastle Eagles' first-round tie nine seconds from half-time. "He was lucky I only pushed him," the 6ft 9in centre said after his team's 102-70 victory.

A series of minor flash-

points, all involving Hildreth, 20, a shaven-headed guard had been a feature of the first half. As the interval approached, with the Eagles only 38-36 ahead, New's patience snapped. He claimed afterwards that Hildreth had elbowed him when the ball was dead.

Ironically, it was after New's exit - with 15 points to his name - that the Eagles assumed command, collecting 37 of the next 48 points. The 35point contribution of Charlie Mandt, including nine dunks, was a bonus for their coach, Tom Hancock.

"No matter what I thought of what was going on in the first half and what the problems were, I had to make the players take the general responsibility for their own ineptness," Hancock said.

Anthony Joseph, the play-maker discarded by Newcastle, has joined Crystal Palace, albeit too late to help Alton Byrd's squad emulate their feat of last season, when they reached the semi-finals. Palace succumbed 91-61 to Manchester Giants. Nate Reinking recorded 32

points in Leicester Riders' 84-74 win at Worthing Bears. The closest tie was at Bracknell, where, with nine seconds left, Peter Scantlebury hit the two free throws that gave Thames Valley Tigers an 80-79 win over Derby Storm.

#### **SPORTS LETTERS**

From Mr Julian Everitt

Sir, The cancellation of a yacht race may not seem that seri-ous, but there are life and death implications in the growing trend of sailing clubs abandoning races due to high winds, as did the Hamble River Sailing Club last Sunday.

Ocean racing is a unique sport. You can't "stop" if the weather turns bad. You can't pull off the road or go back to the clubbouse. Even in relatively warm and sheltered waters and on short races you require a basic skill to manage the wind and waves. You can never master them, but you must be in tune with their moods. Perhaps the nearest equivalent is mountaineering where there are strong similarities in regard to the requirements for self-

The Royal Ocean Racing Club, founded in 1925 to promote offshore racing in small yachts, has rarely failed to start a race in its 50-year history. The responsibility for

Yachting abandonments undermine safety the boat and crew is unasham-edly down to the skipper.

It is the skipper's and/or crew's decision whether to race or not. They are responsi-ble for the seaworthiness of their yacht and for their own abilities to deal with whatever the weather might throw at them. In this way the concept of self-sufficiency is allowed to develop and the ultimate safety of the participants is

The cancellation of a yachi race due to inclement weather poses interesting questions. The regatta organisers, ever more terrified of litigation should they start a race in "too-much wind", now seem: more likely to adopt a fair weather bias on the grounds of safety". It is a misguided and inappropriate response and one likely to undermine safety rather than promote it. There are two

significant knock-on effects: 1. The skill levels of crews able to cope with heavy weather is degraded due to lack of prac-

tice. What better place is there than in the relatively sheltered waters of the Solent to learn about the capabilities of your yacht and crew prior to venturing offshore where you may have to cope with unexpectedly high winds and big seas and where you won't be

able to escape them. 2. The sea-keeping qualities of the yachts themselves will be slowly reduced as designers optimise the boats for light and medium weather, ignoring the possibility that the yachts will have to race in

strong winds. Race committees may think they are acting responsibly by not sending yachts out to race in sheltered water when the wind is gale force, but in fact they are undermining the very necessary skills required to survive offshore and are trivialising the need to produce sound, well-found yachts that can survive the worst weather.

Yours faithfully, JULIAN EVERITT, 9 Wyndham Street, Wi.

#### Fair play ignored From Mr Michael W. Brown

Sir, The only thing amiss with Mr S. C. Julians's letter ("Referees deserve support", October 28) is that it does not go far

I saw my first League match at Fratton Park, Portsmouth, in 1949. Since then it has demonstrably been the policy of many professional football managers, coaches and players to use foul play and lawbreaking as part of their tactical approach to gain an advantage either directly or during a match by attenuating

the referee's authority. This has now reached epidemic proportions. At any corner kick, for example, an averagely competent referee could award free kicks and penalties galore to penalties the shirt-pulling, tripping, ankle-tapping, elbowing, pushing, back-nudging, holding and obstruction which routinely occurs. Outfield play is little

This cynical disregard of fair play has been aided by the "experts" in the media, mainly in the form of attacks on referees, who are doing no more than applying the laws.

There was a classic example in e Manchester derby match in February this year.

At a corner kick Cantona, lurking on the far side of the penalty area, was held (and held down) from behind in a bear-hug by an opponent. The corner sailed harmlessly over everybody's head, but the refer-ee immediately — and correctly - awarded a penalty.

The pundits comments ranged from suggesting that the referee was wrong the wasn't), biased (ditto) or overofficious (ditto again). "No-where near the ball" was a typical comment, despite the fact that the law specifically rules that the location of the ball is irrelevant. "No clear scoring chance" was another, although this is relevant only to the issue of whether the offender is sent off (he wasn't) as well as penalised. A foul is a foul is a foul.

I asked one commentator, who had severely criticised the e, what he would have said if the defender, standing under the referee's nose, had punched Cantona as the ball passed overhead instead of holding him - both offences ranking the same treatment under the laws, although differ-

ent criminally. No answer, no apparent understanding, no shame, either, for maintaining a calumny against an honest - and, as much to the point, completely correct - official Another group of television

commentators suggested that if fouls such as the above were routinely penalised there might be ten penalties a side in each match. That is a price I would willingly pay. Law-breaking, after all, is the easy way to frustrate skill without possessing it yourself; and it is now so ingrained in the professional game that it needs a refereeing revolution to bring on-field conduct back to an acceptable standard.

A man's game it certainly is, so why don't those managing and playing it professionally act like men, stay within the laws and keep quiet when their underhand methods are detected and penalised?

Yours faithfully, MICHAEL BROWN, Marrick, 5 Hendon Close, Highbridge, Somerset.

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# Oscar Schindler tests climate of opinion

From Richard Evans, racing correspondent IN MELBOURNE

IT IS a question Phar Lap, Carbine and Tulloch, legends of the Melbourne Cup; never had to face. Yet as the starting gates for the latest running of Australia's greatest race burst open at 3.20pm (4.20am GMT) tomorrow, the answer will determine the outcome of this historic contest.

Vintage Crop showed three years ago that travelling half-way round the world and exchanging the chill winds of an Irish autumn for the warmth of an Australian spring need not be insurmountable obstacles. Quick Ransom and Double Trigger found otherwise. Will Oscar Schindler, Court Of Honour and Grey Shot be able to overcome a 12,000-mile journey and much more besides to give of their best?

Even their nearest and dearest are in the dark. You go into it blind," Peter Chapple-Hyam, the trainer of Court Of Honour, said after watching his runner have a final canter at the weekend. "You can't give them a hard bit of work to find out because

Nap: ZAMBEZI SPIRIT (2.35 Phympton) Next best: Hotspur Street (2.25 Newcastle)

you will push them over the top, so you sit, hope and just

pray they go well."
Ian Balding used a motoring analogy after Grey Shot, complete with winter cost, appeared to show his wellbeing with a pleasing piece of speed work. "It is like running a car with a petrol gauge that is not working. You just don't know what there is in the tank."

And in his inimitable trish Kevin Prendergast looked to the heavens for inspiration as Oscar Schindler attempts to justify fav-ouritism. It's up to the man above now."

Do not mistake their uncertainty for laxity. Each has been meticulous about their horse's preparation and, after consulting Dermot Weld, Mark Johnston and Lord experiences, they have adopted a similar approach by trying to make sure their horses were fit when acriving in Australia rather than working them hard here.

Court Of Honour, second in the Italian Derby and fifth behind Lammterra at Epsom last season before showing useful form behind Double Trigger and Classic Cliche this term, has had this race as his

1,25 The Boozing Brief

1.55 Trickle Lad

2,25 Hotspur Street

principal target all year. He has been asked to do least of all, deliberately, since arriving. "We brought him fit and have tried to keep him healthy for the day because I have seen what happened with horses I. took to America and elsewhere They galloped unbelievably well beforehand and then ran disastrously, Chapple-Hyam said.

Grey Shot, the Goodwood Cup winner who arrived a week earlier than the other two but had a temperature soon afterwards, has done a little more work. "Dylan Holley, who looks after him." and knows him well, feels he is as well as he has been all year, but who knows?" Balding

Then there is Oscar Schindler, whose travel and preparation have thrilled Prendergast and his team. "I" could not be happier," the trainer said. "It has gone so well it is frightening. I have not put a lot of work into him because he was basically a fit horse when he arrived. It is a like a polished floor, you just have to maintain the sheen. I. think he can win."
The potential effect of the

travel and different conditions on the European challengers is more important than ever this year because the domestic line-up looks nothing excep-tional if one could safely assume the three raiders will run to something approaching their best form, it would be a surprise if they finished out of the first five, or even first three. Heavy rain here yesterday, which should take the sting out of the rock hard Flemington track, served only to increase confidence.

If Oscar Schindler goes close to repeating the form which saw him win the Irish

**04.20** FOSTER'S MELBOURNE CUP (2684,211: 2m) (24 runners)

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GOING FAST



Oscar Schindler is fed some grass by his trainer, Prendergast, after a workout in preparation for the Foster's Melbourne Cup tomorrow

fore an unlucky-in-running third behind Helissio in the Arc, he should win this with something to spare. Those two performances came after the Melbourne Cup weights were published. According to official Irish ratings he has improved 7lb since then, al-

though most would say it is If the European horses fail my four against the field would be Doriemus, the win-

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2.25 BARBOUR BURGELEY MOVICES HURDLE (22,274: 2m 4f) (9 numers)

FORM FOCUS

ner 12 months ago; Nothin' Leica Dane, last year's runnerup who put in an eye-catching run in the Mackinnon Stakes on Saturday: Saintly, trained by Bart Cummings; and Senator, from New Zealand. Also among the home team.

a name familiar to British enthusiasts is Istidaad, who was third in the St Leger when trained by Alec Stewart. The coit has since joined Peter Hayes in Australia.

However, the confidence within the Oscar Schindler camp suggests he has more than coped with the journey and different climate. The progressive four-year-old is a better horse than Vintage Crop at his best and is as well. if not better, handicapped.

I believe Oscar Schindler.

whose starting price here will be longer than the odds available in Britain, can win with, I hope, Grey Shot and Court Of Honour close behind.

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2.05 balcoube conditional Jockeys selling Handicap Hurble (£1,859: 2m 1h) (7) 

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COURSE SPECIALISTS PLIMPTON: Traines: J. Healin. 4 nivers tran 7 towers, 57.1%. Lady Hunks, 7 lipse 15. 46.7%, C. Sperton, 11 from 35, 42.3%. Jackeys: D Brolgouler, 16 winners have 35 roles, 45.7%; A.P. McCoy. 12 from 40, 30.0%; A. Meguire, 45 from 158, 27.2%. SDUTHONEL: Trainurs: M. Lunts, 2 winners hum 28 numers, 30 8%; likes in Rocetop, 21 from 81, 75.5%; H. Aleinard, 5 from 24, 25.0%, Juckayes: 4 Manage, 47 winners from 245 males, 128%; D. Bilger, 32 from 178, 17.9%; Europe O'Rennum, 21 from 186, 16.7%. 2.35 JOLLY TANNERS AT STAPLEFIELD HANDICAP CHASE (23,662  $2\mathrm{m}$  50) (8)

1 4132 ANDRELOT 6 (F.S) F Bowen 9-12-0 ... A Magnine 89
2 2P4 BEAU BABILLARD 187 (B.G.S) P Nictions 9-11-6 A P McCoy 89
3 759 REALLY A RASCAL 339 (S) D Candoto 9-11-1 R Dumsnody 85
4 704 MR MATT 283 (CD.F.S) O Rossell 8-11-1 B Fenton 94
5 31F4 COMEDY ROAD 16 (D.F.S) R Lee 12-10-10 ... R Johnson 87
6 12-1 ZAABEES SPRH 17 (CD.F.G) No. I Jones 7-10-5 D Byrne 87
7 273 BEATSON 349 (F.S) R Backler 7-10-5 D Byrne 87
8 172 WIMPPERS DELISHT 212 (CD.S) 6 C Jones 8-10-3 D Badguszler 94 5-2 Zasabesa Solani, 3-1 Andreios, 7-2 Bossu Babuland, 5-1 Beatson, 7-1 others.

3.05 CUCKFRELD NOVICES HURDLE (£2,574, 2m 11) (11)

3-1 Gloriana, 9-2 Rocus The Force, 5-1 Shift Agein, 6-1 Spittler Bridge, 7-1 46th Chemintathe, 8-1 Tornal, 10-1 Sailep, 12-1 others.

3.35 CHAILEY HANDICAP CHASE (£2.900 2m) (4) 

5-4 Configur Hypo, 2-1 Usudo Bert, 9-4 Japays The First, 33-1 Johan Lack 4.05 PLUMPTON AUTUMN HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,064 2m 41) (8) | 1 MER COUNTRY STORE 205 (8) A Jones 7-11-11 | S Curran (8) |
2 419- DARBICK KING 217 (F.S) M Solton 6-11-8 | P Hide 94 |
3 MEP TOPAMGA 21 J Bernett 4-11-8 | I Harvey 93 |
4 049- SOLIEL DARGER 328 (5) D Grossil 6-18-13 | B Francis 92 |
5 MT FAMILY RIVER 13 (20) (6) N Sames 7-10-11 | R Daramondy 95 |
6 450- SOLIOMAN STRANSS 10 (8) No. V Mend 6-10-4 | Menamondy 95 |
7 436- MR RIJITS 12 (8) PJ Took 10-10-7 | R Belann 91 |
8 125- TITAN EMPRESS 210 (M.CO.G.S) S Meno 7-18-2 | M Menamondy 95 |
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2-1 Family Phys. 7-2 Country Store, Tipo Emparce, 6-1 4th Fields. 7-1 offers.

#### European challenge disturbs domestic harmony

s it really just three years since Vintage Crop and Down Under for the Melbourne Cup and found themselves treated like curiosities? The first horses to make the journey from the northern hemisphere for Australia's best-known race were initially considered 100-1 no-hopers who would add international spice to the cup but had no chance of taking it back.

Amid the welter of parties that makes the Cheltenham Festival resemble an annual gathering of the Temperance Society, one early remark about those pioneers struck home, "Good on yer mate for making the effort. Very sporting, but it's a long way to come last." How times have changed.

The build up to tomorrow's renewal has been dominated by three European challeng-ers, spearheaded by Oscar Schindler, Kevin Prendergast and Ollie Lehane have commanded more column inches than Diana, Princess of Wales, who visited Sydney for a charity gala last Thursday. And the impact made by the invaders is not confined to newspapers, television and radio stations. It is significant

that most of the fancied domestic runners for tomorrow's cure did not run in the Mackinnon Stakes on Saturday, which was considered de rigueur three years ago - and given as one of the reasons why Drum Taps and Vintage Crop held no chance. Even

> RICHARD EVANS.



Racing Commentary

Bart Cummings, whose nine previous cup winners all raced on Victoria Derby Day. 72 hours before the cup. decided against another spin for Saintly, winner of the Cox Plate at Moonee Valley ten

days ago. However, the fascination with the long-distance raiders is two edged. The horses are also considered a threat in this love-hate relationship, noone wants the Poms to win, with the possible exception of the Victoria Racing Club's Les Benton and David Bourke, who have been at the forefront of making the cup "the stay-ers" championship of the

Indeed, if Oscar Schindler wins — and he must rate, theoretically, as a handicap certainty — or victory goes to either of the British-trained horses, the hue and cry which will follow is easy to predict. There will be a call to introduce penalties for foreign horses who win group races after the cup weights have been published.

How, the critics will demand, can you allow the winner of a classic race such as the Irish St Leger or, perhaps one day, even the Arc. to go unpenalised when the winner of the Caulfield Cup. a leading cup trial, or any other handicap is liable to a penalty? The answer is simple, of course. The winners of Australian weight-for-age races and set weight races also escape penalties. More importantly, the in-

volvement of horses such as Vintage Crop and Oscar Schindler has boosted the profile of a race which even the locals admit was fraying around the edges. Making the Melbourne Cup an international race has worked and contributed last year to the city's spring racing carnival making the most significant economic impact of any event in Australia. If the British or Irish succeed once in a while, that is a small price to pay.



#### ATHLETICS

Road running

NEW YORK MARATHON (26.2 miles), Ment 1 G Leone (II) Dry 9min 54sec. 2, T Tomo (Em) 2 10.00 3 3 1 Kamau (Kan) 210.40 4 2 Kanyau Itter 210.55 5 A Espinotal (Men) 211.39 6 C Noter (Kan) 211.53; 7 M Fc (Sol 21.2.31.3 1 Barraghi (In) 1124.2.9 \$ Nyangsatra (Nort 21.2.4.10), W Notech (Nort 21.2.57) AMSTERDAM MARATHON (42-m)\* Mem 1 J Chobel (kgm) 2h (10mm) 57-sec 2, A Serrang (Spi 2 12 20 3 J Printero (Pori 3 12 47 Women); 1 Nilima (Ress) 2 34 35, 2 A Emboding (kgm) 2 39 35 3, J Malska (Pol) 2 43 28

Cross Country

BRENTWOOD: Essex League. Men (5 miles) 1, R Denmail. (Basidon) 28mm 21sec. C. P Ban (Chalmstord) 29.28 3, G Leywhot (Chemstord) 29.38 1 Gamma 1 Chemstord 47ps, 2. Havering Mayesbrook 53 3 Basidon 103 Women (12 5 miles) 1, N Barren (Havering Mayesbrook) 57 miles (1, N Barren (Havering Mayesbrook) 17mm 43sec. 2, S Biologe 1 Thurindo) 1742, 3 C Perry (Belenca, Spides) 17 38 Teems: 1 thord 50pt. 2. Colchester 8 Tembring 80, 3, Max dring Mayesbrook 63

Fell running Fell running

DOLNE Lorson State Line Broth Fell Race (5m 1000th Ment 1, S Witts (Ron Hill Racing Team) 30mm 56sec 2 M Horrocks (Calder Valley) 32 07 3, 1 Chew (Clayton-le-Moors) 32 47, 4 G Schoheld (Horwich, M40) 32 21 Cwar 45; 5 A Whaley (Pudse, and Bramley) 33 16; 6, M Pockering (Bley, M40) 33 21 Cwar 45; 5 kirthonde (kendal) 35, 14 Over 50; B Bradisy (Hollmithin) 37; 90 Over 60; J Escrift (Fellandale) 48; 12 Over 70; J Ridey (Clayton-le-Moors) 70; 45; 7 Germ; 1 Horwich 25; 2 Clayton-le-Moors 27; Women: 1 J Clark (Pudsey and Bramley 44th) 39; 51; 2, K. Stater (Kalghley, Hill Runners, W35); 41; 03; 3; L Hayles (Halifax, W40); 44:27

BASKETBALL

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION (NBA): Friday: Chicago 107 Boston 98 Detroit 95 Indiana 39 Marin 94 Atlanta 31: Cleveland 90 New Jursey: 77 Washington 96 Oriando 92: Materiale 11 Philagelphia 103 Manseotia 82 San Antonio 78, New York 107 Toronto 99; Houston 96 Sacamento 85 Dallas 92 Cerner 31: Urah 99 Seattle 91, LA Cispoers 97 Golden State 85, LA Lakers 96 Phoenio: 92, Portland 114 Vancouver 85 Saturday: Detroit 90 Atlanta 78, Chandride 109 Toronto 98, Marin 97 Indiana 95, Cieveland 98 Washungton 96 (OT): Chicago 115 Philadelphia 88, Sacramento 107 Dallas 94, Milwaukee 124 Boston 102, Houston 110 Process 95 Sattle 104 Portland 93, Utah 95 LA Clippers 90 Process 95 Seattle 104 Portland 93, Ulan 95 LA Citopores 90 MATICINAL LEAGUE MAIN: First divisions Mid Susses 82 Collection 100 Notingham 75 Westminister 80; Codord 69 Stockan 96 Becand divisions Bournemouth 54 Swindor 86, Chessangton 87 Trainnes Valley 70, Northampton 67 South Wales 88, Sough 59 Sollhull 84 Womsen: Pirst divisions Bermingham 56 Thamse Valley 87, Harkesden 43 Crystal Palace 58; Northampton

82 London 49 Notingham 50 Barling and Dagerham 51 Spetthorne 54 Ipanich 41. Second division: Doncaster 63 Tyris and Wear 79. Liverpool 75 Solent 55; Manchester 71 Lacesser 58 Plymouth 80 Cholmstord 62 SUDWEISER LEAGUE: London Towers 92

Northing 69 IC COLA CUP: Manchester 91 Chysial Palace 61, Covern Mancresser 96, Chysial Palace 61, Covernty 56 Shreffield 96, Simmigham 91 Hernel and Walford 84, Cardyl 55 London Yovers 95, Ware 70, Newtoaste 102-Thamas Valley 80 Detty 79; Worthing 74 Leloester 84

BOXING

TOKYO: International Boxing Association and World boxing Union heavyweight champsonship: George Foreman (US, holder) bt Crawford Grinsley (US) pts Heavyweight Torinny Momenn (US) bt Marcus Rhode (US) tio 1et PARTENKIRCHEN, Germany: European heavyweight championship: Zeljira Mavro-vic (Cro holder) bi Ciltion Milchell (Derby) rsc 2nd Hawyweight Pele Revi (Shelfield) bit Rick Sulfivan (US) ko 2nd PUKUOKA, Japan: World Bosong Council leatherweight championship: Lussio Espinosa (Pnil, holder) bit Hoburoch Hiraneza (Japan) ko 8th

INDRO, California: International Booling Federation super-lyweight champ-loneing: Danny Romero (U.S. holder) bit Hipolino Saucedo (U.S. risc 13th CRICKET

New South Wales XI v England A TAMWORTH (final day of four). New South Wales XI beat England A by nine wickets ENGLAND A: First Immigs 155 (O A Sheh 76 S C MacGill 4 for 43)

Second Innings M A Butcher o Heywood b MacGill A McGrath low b Thompson J E R Gallen o McQuire b Alley J E R Gallion c McOurre b Alley
O A Shah c Clark b MecGill
A J Hotloake nin out
C White b Freedman
P M Such b MacGil
W Heag low b Freedman
A F Glies c Glassock b MecGill
D W Headley st Glessock b MecGill

FALL OF WICKETS 1-62, 2-85, 3-102, 4-109, 5-122, 6-145, 7-148, 8-193, 9-198. BOWLING, Aley 8-4-14-1, MacGill 39 1-12-84-5; Clark 8-2-28-0, Thompson 17-4-47-1, Freedman 28-16-38-2 NEW SOUTH WALES XI: First trainings NEW SOUTH WALES AT FIRST STOP J L Amberger & Hagdely b Gles ... A D McQuire run out ... "MIT Haywood & Hogg is Gles P Mercoouths b Gles ...... G C Rummans & Butcher is Gles 17 17 5 .0 tC A Glassock tow b Giles
S A) Thompson e Heagley b Meadley
D A Freedman e Neadley b White
P J Alley c Shah b White
S C MeaGill not our
S Clark c Gilos b Hollinake 

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-26, 2-40, 3-40, 4-47. 5-102, 6-243, 7-273, 9-277, 9-277 BOWLING Hasdley 26-5-69-1. Chapple 12-4-25-0: Giles 38-12-110-5. Such 25-4-80-0, White 12-2-29-2. Hollingian 2-4-0-12-1. Second innings A D McQuire low b Headley ...

"M T Haywood not out . . . Total (1 with) FALL OF WICKET 1-10 BOWLING. Headley 5-0-17-1, Chapple 4-1-6-0, Giles 4 1-0-12-0, Hollooke 4-1-6-0 Umpres. S Tausel and I Emerson

Third one-day international match

Pakistan v Zimbabwe PESHAWAR (Palutian won loss). Pek beat Zimbabwe by 77 ruis; PAKISTAN

Shahid Alindi c J A Remie b Matambanadas . Zahoor Elahi c Houghton b Matambanadas ... Nac Anmed c G W Flower Nez Anmed a G W Flower
b Medambenadzo ... ... 117
Hissam Raza c G J Rennie
b Matambanadzo ... ... 12
Azam Khan c P A Streng b J A Rennie 72
Wasem Alvam nin out
1 Hithori Khan c P A Streng b J A Rennie 34
Salm Malik c A Flower b G J Whiteli . 0
Saqiam Mustraq un out ... ... 5
Abdu Razzak not out ... ... ... 6
Abdu Razzak not out ... ... 0

Total (9 Wide, 40 overs) .... FALL OF WICKETS 1-0, 2-18, 3-43, 4-194, 5-199, 6-231, 7-251, 8-256, 9-253 BCMLING: Metambanadzo 8-0-32-4, J A Renne 8-0-37-2, G J Wifetas 8-0-64-1; A R Whittail 8-0-62-0; P A Strang 4-0-33-0. Deldes 4-0-32-0

ZMBABWE G W Flower c Morr b Saclem
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P A Strang c Wasrm b Sharted Aindi
12 Hougeron c Morr o Sharted Aindi
14 Flower c Wasrm b Seltm
G J Whitter our our
G J Hennie b Saclam
J A Rennie c Morr b Saclam
M Maiarmenadzo nor out
1 C Salim b Saclam
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1 C Salim b Saclam
N D F Campbel absent hurt

Extra6 (fb 5, w 6, nb 4) ... 147 Total (32.1 overs) ...... FALL OF WICKETS: 1-34, 2-95, 3-110, 4-118, 5-119, 6-143, 7-143, 8-143, 9-147

BOMLING: Wasen Aleam 4-0-20-0; Shehot Naar 6-0-16-0; Abbul Razzak 5-0-24-1. Seglan Mushtaq 6.1-0-28-4, Shehot Alea 7-0-25-2; Salim Makir 4-0-29-1 Palestan win eerks: 3-0 Umpses Shakoor Rana (Peinstan) and Javed Akntar (Peinstan). Titan Cup

Australia v India MC(HAU (Australia won loss) India boal Australio by hie runs

"S R Tendulkar o Law b M E Wangh "S R Tendulkar C Law B M E wateger N S Schu nun out : I Smaih te Healy b M E Wategh : M Azharuddin c M E Wategh to MicGraff R S Drawd c Taylor to Law R Smgh c States to Law : A D Jackar not out : 1N R Mongra not out :

Total (6 wids, 50 overs)

S Joshi, A kumble and B K V Pratad did not FALL OF WICKETS, 1-64, 2-75, 3-95, 4-205, 5-217 6-253 52.77 5533 BOMILNG McGrath 10-0-52-1: Reitel 10-1-52-0: Gillespie 9-0-63-0: M E Waugh 9-0-38-2: Lew 10-0-65-2 Hogg 2-0-12-0

Total (49.1 overs) ...... FALL OF WICKETS, 1-84, 2-84, 3-151, 4-155, 5-241, 6-248, 7-290, 8-286, 9-273 BONALING Srinath 10-042-1; Presad 10-0-68-1; Numble 10-0-42-3; Singh 7-0-45-2; Joshi 10-0-50-1; Jadeju 2-0-11-0; Tendukar 0-1-0-0

Exgras (to 6, se 4, nb 2) . . . . . . . . .

Umpres: S.K. Sharma (India) and A.V. Jayaprakash (India). South Alnca

Trinal between South Aince and India on November 6 (in Bombay). Novembar 6 in Bornbayi.

BUPERSPORT SERIES (Invol day of buri Cape Town: Western Province 220 U.S. Commiss 81 not out. H.D. Ackerman 51. R.E. Bryson 4-61) and 342-8 (S.G. Koreng 97. D.L. Haynes 71); Northern Transveal 355 (R.F. Pieriazi 95, P. R. Pichiacisson 35); Durbert Natal 332 (D.M. Berhandstein 199 not out. M.L. Brisyns 73. S.M. Pollock 65. V.C. Drakes 6-99) and 257 (Pollock 77. D.J. Wasson 73); Border 205 and 70-1. Paert. Ecksind. 268 (L.D. Ferreira 127: C.V. English 5-85) and 260 (K. C. Jackson 70. A.P. Kulpor 63), Griqualiand West 250 (P.H. Barnard 64).

CYCLING CYCLO CROSS: 8/6/A Association interminismal (Eastway), London, 20em): 1. P. (Filements: filel) 53mm; 13sec. 2. D. (Filements: filel) 54 2/4sec; 3. P. Finebel (Lun) 130. Kannoway RC (Glernothers, Filel), 12 miles); 1. A. Winght (Finel, USA); 1/4 "Offirm 4] 2/4sec; 3. J. McBan (Kamway); at 2/58 Derwarnhaide CC (Conseau, Co Chartam, 11 miles); 1. V. Potler (Bradhord Olympus RC); 58mm; 30sec; 2. S. Ward (MC Azzum); at 45sec; 3. A. Norar (Fassile); at 135. Long Easton CC (Norts: and Derhys League, Trent Meactows, Park, 11 miles); 1. D. Barmett (Ace; 877); 50mm; 57sec; 2. J. J. Jajbor (Gient-Greyothi); at 26sec; 3. D. Alexander (Gient-Greyothi); at 37sec; 2. S. Green (Olicham Cantary RC); at 151. Allond Wheelson (Clothy Park, Lincolnéhies, 12 miles); 1. S. Barmen (MC Lincoln); 25min; 27sec; 2. I Sociately Park, Lincolnéhies, 13. D. Ellingue (MC Lincoln); at 133. Httl.-Ct.008: Ensure and Saffetik Boelini.

FOR THE RECORD

HILL-CLARS: Emmark Sofficial Bonder Combine (Sering: Hill, near Stowmarket, 500m) 1, Line (CC Bredderd) 48 Bacc toourse records: 2. P Wyatt-Grainge (Haver-hall Wheelers) 51 6 Teams: Stowmarket and Distinct CC 2 51 7

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AMSTERDARY, Immunitorial Storic Heavisian Prizor: 1, Jessel's Ernesald (P. Raymakers, Holl), 0 or 27 84, 2, Trudio Obsaura (I. Philoponeris, Biet), 0 or 37 80, 3, 30, 3, Golderbudge (W.) was der Schars, Holl), 0 or 32 19. Volvo World Cup qualifor, Lumping: 1, Global (M.) was der Schars, Holl), 0 or 33 08; 2, Priemos (I. Beethaum, Geir) or 33 08; 2, Arborne Mortacollo (H.Y. Boet, Frij Om 33,41 lang Bank Greed Prict 1, Barchus U. Lanenki, Holl) 0 or 35 62, 2, Burg's Mr Glue (B Romp, Holl) on 35 54; 3, Rochet M. Ja Ladermann, Frij Ol or 35 24; 3, Rochet M. Ja Ladermann, Frij Ol or 37,28, Dmassage: 1, Welcome (I) Welth, Gery 73 82; 2, Chympe Bo (S Rothenberger, Holl) 72 29; 3, Camelson Cockeal (A. van Gnutsven, Holl) 72 29; 3, Camelson Cockeal (A. van Gnutsven, Holl) 71 22 Britisher 9, Assan (B Oswand) 67 (2) Dmassage Grand Prict 1, Camelson Cockeal (A. van Gnutsven, Holl) 7, 788, 8; 3, Welcome (I) Welch, Gery 1, 7580s; 2, Olympoc Bo (S Rothenberger, Holl) 1, 738, 3, Welcome (I) Welcome (I) (Welch, Gery) 1, 738, 3, Welcome (I) Welcome (I) 1, 831.

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HONG HON'S All of Dortfill Lattering final scores: 287: B Langer (Ger) 68. 67. 69. 65. 289: Kang Wook-soon (Kor) 64. 70. 69. 66. 270: S Layenok (Aus) 65. 67. 67. 67. 70. 273: S Lawrey (Nus) 70. 64. 66. 71. 274: E Be ISA) 71. 69. 66. 57. 1274: 6 Be ISA (74. 274: 1274: 6 Be) 17. 69. 66. 70. 275: G Chairmers (Aus) 70. 66. 71. 89. 67. 67. 67. 67. 68. 74. 276: D Boulet (IN) 71. 71. 67. 67. 67. Kanner (SA) 71. 68. 71. 69. 69. 74. 276: D Boulet (IN) 71. 71. 67. 67. 67. C Kanner (SA) 71. 68. 71. 59. C Gray (Aus) 71. 68. 66. 71: J Cooper (Aus) 69. 67. 68. 77. 20 Other scores: 280: S Balasteros (So) 71, 70. 65. 73. 883: C Miongorneste (GB) 69. 69. 69. 78.

8RASELTON, Georgia: Serazan World Open: Leaders after three rounds (US turiess stated) 202 S Hoch 68, 64, 70, 208. F Nobite (NZ) 65, 68, 72, 207; C Strader 68, 69, 70, 208; P Sevent 69, 66, 71, 200; D Chopra (Swe) 69, 70, 70, 210; N Price (Zmi 68, 72, 70, 12, 100; T D Chopra (Swe) 69, 70, 70, 210; N Price (Zmi 68, 72, 71, M Calcavechia 70, 70, 72, 213; M Gordheig (Swe) 73, 69, 71; P J Comen 71, 70, 72, 214; P Broadhurs (GB) 69, 73, 72, 8; Fissch 73, 69, 72; C Waters (GB) 99, 73, 72, 8; Fissch 73, 69, 72; C Waters (GB) 71, 71, 77, 78, 215; M Donald 14, 73, 68, P Hammelon (teh 70, 72, 73; A Cabrera (And) 72, 70, 73; P McGinley (Pri 71, 70, 73, 224; A Cabrera (Reg) 72, 70, 74, M McNistly (Zmi 68, 70, 77)

All TON, Florider Emerald Coast Seniors tournement: Leading second-round sorres; 186: 10 Echelorger 66, 70; L. Geben 66, 71 137; J. Sigel 66, 71; D. Stockdon 66, 71 138: R Thompson 67, 71; D. Graham 72, 86: B Crampton 67, 71; 136: L. Trevno 69, 70; M Hall 68, 71, G Marsh 66, 73, H India 70, 66; V Fernandaz 70, 69

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MASHIIG, Japen: LPGA, Cheenes Cup:
Leeding final scores: 212 M Huste
(Japen) 70, 70, 72 (winner in play-off): L

Daves (GB) 71, 73, 68, 212: H Koolayshi
(Japan) 67, 74, 72, 214: B Whitehead (JLS)
70, 74, 70, 215: S Redman (JLS) 70, 74, 71,
M Wil (JLS) 69, 71, 75, 216: J Saville (JLS)
74, 74, 68, M Morra (JLS) 74, 72, 70: L

Noumann (Swe) 74, 71, 71 British scores:
221: C Pierce 77, 74, 70, 223; A Matthew
74, 75, 73, 225: P Whight 78, 74, 77

LA MANIGA: Morrant's Spannish Opens.

74, 76, 73, 229; P Wright 78, 74, 77

IA MANGA: Women's Spanish Open: Leading final scores (GB and ire unless stated); 210; A Aruth (So) 74, 70, 86, 211; L FairClaugh 70, 74, 87, 214; Med Boer (Hoff) 72, 70, 72, 216; A-C. Janesson (Swel 74, 74, 66, 1 Mocont (Ith 73, 72, 71; P Johnson 72, 71, 73, 217; N Cambedo (Spi 72, 71, 73, 217; N Cambedo (Spi 72, 71, 73, 216; K Maugust of Algue (Fr) 74, 74, 70; D Dowling 72, 74, 72; L Newarro (Sp) 71, 74, 73; P Starrer (Swel) 70, 74, 74, 226; K Wunach (Sp) 76, 72, 72; J Soutisby 70, 77, 73; S Mean (Swel) 71, 73, 74, 8 Geroberg (Swel) 70, 75, 74; V sen Ryckaghern (Bel) 70, 74, 76; B Pestane (Sk) 74, 89, 77.

ICE HOCKEY

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LACROSSE

NATIONAL LEAGLE (NHL): Friday: Detroit 2 Ottoma 2 (OT), Washington 4 Pittsburgh 2. Onleago 3 Dates 2 (OT), Buttelo 4 St. Louis 2: Phoenix 3 Calgary 2 (OT); Vencouver 5 Edmoston 4 (OT); Anaherin 4 San Jose 3. Salunday: New Jersey 2 Tampa Bay 1: NY Rangers 5 Boaton 2: Los Angeles 3 Heritord 2: NY Islanders 6 Washington 1; Philadelphia 3 Florida 2, Philaburgh 7 Ottoma 3. Torondo 6 Desor 2: Colorato 0 Buffalo 0 (OT): San Jose 4 Montres 3 (OT); Vencouver 4 Calgary 3.

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SHEPHERDS FRIENDLY SOCIETY: Pra-mier division: Hulmisens 4 Heaton Messily 11; Temperity 9 Boardman and Eccles 13, Society 14 Poyrison 7; Cheadle Hulmis 12 Old Waconfars 12; Moorthorp 3 Cheadle 13 BANBURY: Women's triangular bur-nerment England 12 Wales 7: England 11 Scotland 2, Scotland 9 Wales 5

MOTOR SPORT DONNIGTON PARIC Autosport RAC Tourist Trophy (80 kgs. 156.59 miles): 1, A. Mens (Switz, Rensult Laguna) 11t 43mil. 129.70sac (average speed 90.77min): 2, K. Burt (93, Volvo (80)) at 3.11sac: 3, J. Birtothie 168, Ausi A4) at 11.25, 4, J. Writelhook (Ger. BaW 320), at 22 75, 5, T. Harvey (38, Paugaot 405) at 26 04

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WORD WATCH

RUGBY LEAGUE

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SNOOKER

BANGKOK: World Cup: Group A: New Zestand bt lockerd 5-4 Northern legand or Republic of Ireland 5-4 Northern legand or Belguent 5-4 Group B: South Arca bt Sngapore 5-4 Group C: England bt Thelland 6-3. Palestan at United Arab Emirates 8-1, Palestan bt Orea 7-2 Group C: Holland bt Malaysia 6-3.

SQUASH

BLACKPOOL: Men's inter-county champ-forship: Premier group Yorkship 5 Lancaship 0: Nothighamchip 4 Cheship 1 Yorkship 5 Nothighamche 0: Lan-cashipe 4 Chaship 1, Yorkship 5 Cheship 0: Nothighamchip 4 Lancaship 1 0: Nothighamchip 5 Lancaship 1 Yorkshire and Notonghamshire quality for final play-offs MEN'S WORLD RANKINGS. 1. Lensher Khen (Paty: 2. R Eyes (Aus): 3. P Nicol (Scott: 4. C Weeker (Enc). 3. B Martin (Aus): 6. D Hams (Eng). 7. C Rostand (Aus); 8. M Chaloner (Eng): 9. A Hill (Aus): 10. S Parke (Eng).

TENNIS

PARIS: Men's tournament: Culater-finals; Y Kerlenkov (Russ) bit P Hammus (Holl) 7-6. 6-1. T Enqvist (Sue) bit S Ectarg (Sive) 6-4. 7-6. Sami-dinals: Kalentikov bit P Korda (Car 3-8. 6-4. 6-2: Enqvist bit M Gustalisson (Swa) 6-3. 6-2 Finalt Enqvist bit Kalentikov 6-2. 6-4. 7-5

CHBCAGO: Women's tournement: Otter-ter-finetic M Hings (Stetz) bt L Davemport (US) 6-3, 6-7, 6-2 M Seles (US) bt I Sprica (Rom) 7-6, 6-2 Semi-finals: J Novotre (Cz) bt Hings 7-5, 6-4 J Capnet (US) bt Seles 6-3, 6-3 MOSCOW: Women's tournement: Final: C Martinez (Sp) o: S Paulus (Austra) 6-1. 4-6, 6-4.

EQNIBINGH: LTA Women's challenger tournament: Semi-finetr: 0 Chadkove (Cq; bt 8 Smar (GB) 6-1, 6-2; E Zardo (Santz) bt Manuska (Aus) 6-1, 6-3 Finet: Chiadkova tr Zardo 7-6 6-0. REDBRIDGE: LTA Renbok Tour: Finels: Mean: B Cowan (Lancashne) bit D Draper (Northamptonshne) 6-2, 6-2 Women: H Matthews, (Bertschne) bit K Warne-Holland (Cheshne) 6-4, 6-3

#### HOCKEY

NATIONAL, LEAGUE: Premier division; Berford Tigers 2 Havent 1: Guiddord 5 Reading 3: Hounslow 1 Camerbury 1, Old Loughtonians 3 East Grinsload 3, Surbiton Climack
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PRIST DIVISION: Huli 1 Leves 2, Isca 2
Ortord Hawks 0; Indian Gymkhana 2
Ortord University 1, Beeston 5 Sheffield 0;
Bournwile 5 St Abana 2 Browley 4
Stourport 2 Brooklands 1 Trojans 1; City of
Porismouth 2 Warmigton 4; Crostys 2
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Mauderhead 4 Wokingham 2, Old knopstomans 0 Wembledon 4; Old Whiledmans 4 Woking 1: Richmond 4
Ashford 1, Spender 2, Chichester 4
Hamposhire/Surney: Barnot 1 Andover 2,
Cambarley 4 Basingstoke 4 Ponsmouth 1
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8 Sudbury 0: Peterborough Town 3

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WOMEN'S MATICINAL LEAGUE: Premier
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#### SCHOOLS SPORT

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FOOTBALL

FA PREMIER LEAGUE: Under-18 Trophy:
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West London 3 Harrow 4 Brook Sheidt:
Backheath 3 Islangton 5 Middleses Ser Swetc: Under-19; Bent 9 Barres 2
London Gill Cup: Waitham Forsa 1
Redonogs 6 North Kant 4 Havening 1;
Hackney 3 Blackheath 2 Middlesex Sever Swetc: Under-19; Bent 9 Barres 2
London Gill Cup: Waitham Forsa 1
Redonogs 6 North Kant 4 Havening 1;
Hackney 3 Blackheath 2 Middlesex Bower
Cup: Under-14; Bent 3 Barnet 6 Cobbing
Cup: Semi-Smals: Mansted 1 Notrophem
3; South Nottenghanshert 1 Worksop 1
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Young Cap: Newcastle 2 West Tyre 0
Burron Brield; Wartey 2 Workmampton
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3 Welsh Gitymood Shield: Kritky Nrowkes
3 Pint 0 Hardy Cup; Newcastle 2 South
Tyrescle 2 Notrophem Leaguer Mint 2
Liverpool 1 Vernon League: Bootle 4 St
Helen S; Wirral 1 Selfmonsdale 0, Crosby 2
Chester 0: Liverpool 5 Preston 2, West
Yorkstrie Lasgue: York 3 Hull 3 Interassociation: Blackburn 4 Burnley 0 Derby
1 Halesowen 1; East Bertchine 3 Gospon 0,
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White Horse 8, Rotherham 0 Leads 3
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LACROSSE MIDLANDS JUMOR COUNTY TOURNAMENT: Stropche 3 Oxfordshee/Varwockshee 4 Buckingframshee 7 Beddard-shee 4 Buckingframshee 7 Beddard-shree/Lecestershee 5 Shropshee 7 Beddord-shree/Lecestershee 1 Worcestershee 8 Bedfordshree/Lecestershee 1, Buchinghamshie 3 Oxfordshee/Warwockshee 1, Worcestershee 9 Bedfordshree/Lecestershee 9 Bedfordshree/Lecestershee 0 Worcestershee 9 Bedfordshree/Warwockshee 0 Worcestershee 7 Oxfordshee/Warwockshee 0 Constitution 1 Worcestershee 7 Oxfordshee/Warwockshee 0.

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Tommy Morrison, the heavyweight from the United States, raises his hands in triumph after defeating Marcus Rhode by a technical knock-out in Tokyo yesterday

#### FACING

NEWMARKET

Going: good
1,00 (71) 1. Palisacia (W Ryan, 12-1); 2. Rabecca Sharp D-2 lav); 3. Corata (14-1), 23 ran, NR Seattle Swing 1 Ni, 1 Mi H Cast, Tota: (16-0), (16-0), (18-0), (18-0), (18-1), (19-1); 244,30 The (251),90 CSP; 255,81, 1,30 (1m); 1. Asiconado (G Duffeld, 10-1); 2. Haghman, (10-1); 3. Hagpate (20-1), Marcomba Club 2-1 law, 21 ran NR-Sheba, Hd, 214, R Johnson Houghton, Tota: £11,70; £3,80, £3,20, £3,40 DF; £37,40, Tho: £431,50 CSP; £108,48 2.05 (8) 1, Serieuel (I. Dettori, 5-1); 2, How Long (5-1); 3, Vasari (7-2), Unsheken 5-4 lay 8 ran 1 VL nt. 5 bin Surpor. Tote: 05.80; C1.50, £1.80, £1.80 DF: £8.90, CSF £23.09

2.A0 (1m) 1, All-Royal (Pat Eddary, 8-4 lav). 2, Nijo (14-1): 3, Fashully (7-2), 8 ran, 1 kil, sh hd. H Cacil Tote: 23 10; £1 40, £2.20. £1.50 DF: £23 70, CSF: £26 57. 2.130 Um 23 10. US\* 238 07. 3.10 / 1m 29 1. Silver Patrianch (Pat Eddery, 9-2), 2. Edonado (5-2 tav), 3. Shadow Lead (9-2) 10 ran %1, nt. J Duniop Tote: 65 00: 21 50. 21 80, 21 80. DF 65.30 Trio: £11.80. CSF: £14 80 3.45 (1m) 1, Sellen (N Day, 33-1): 2, Prince Beber (14-1); 3, Kayves (35-1); 4, Dreams End (20-1); Hawksley Hall 9-2 lay 25 cm. Nr. 14 D Morris. Tota: 556 50; 510 40, 53.90, 54.90, 54.80 DF: 5489.80, Tnor 52,197 10 CSF: \$439.18. Tricast 510.305.52.

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4.15 (7) 1, Persian Fayre (ft Crater, 11-1), 2, Indiahre (18-1), 3, Broughton's Prote (18-1); 4, Stoppes Brow (14-1), Amber Fort 6-1; 4, Stoppes Brow (14-1), Amber Fort 6-1; 40, Stoppes Brow (14-1), Amber Fort 6-1; 40, Stoppes Brow (14-1), Amber Fort 6-1; 50, Stoppes Brown (14-1), Amber Fort 6-1; 50, Stoppes Brown (14-1), Amber 6-Jackpot: not won (pool of £18,727.49 camed toward to Southwell today).
Placepot: \$545.10: Quedpot: £35.60.

ASCOT

12.50 1, Squire's Occasion (2-7 fav); 2. Amber Ring (11-4) 2 fan. 1.20 1, Ciprient Cusen (3-1); 2. Riding Crop (Evens lav); 3. Saha (9-5) 6 fan. 1,55 1, Go Bellado (2-1); 2, Smalphi Tali, (8-4 lav); 3, Arthur's Minsted (8-1) 5 fan. 2.30 1, Storm Alart (Evans lav); 2, Big Mait (2-1); 3, Thumbs Up (14-1), 4 ran. 3.05 1. Clod Hopper (11-2): 2, Tap On Tocase (7-4 law): 3, Positivo (9-1) 6 ran. rgosse (\*\* seg: 3, Postro (8-1) 6 fm. 3,40 1, Strong Promise (1-6 tex); 2, Minor Key (6-1), 2 ran 4,10 1, Silver Groom (5-2); 2, Shoofk (4-1); 3, Barne Boy (6-1) Chiercong Girl Evens (ev. 5 rtin

KELSO

1.00 1, Seeking Gold (7-1); 2, Mr Renter 7-1); 3, Donovans Rest (20-1) Mister Trick, Morac. 3-1 p-lay 8 mn. NR. German Legend, Scrabo View 1.30 1, Antarotic Wind (1-2 lav); 2, Trap Dancer (7-1); 3, I'm The Men (9-1), 10 ran. 2,00 1, Britar's Delight (7-4); 2, Weaver George (4-1), 3, Princa Styburo (6-4 fav), 4 san NR. Regal Romper.

2.50 1, Stylich intervel (4-1): 2, Flyshray Blues (4-5 tayl 3, Kashana (1)-1), 9 ran NP; Astral Weeks, Battery Boy, Public Viay 3,00 1, Royal Vacation (5-1), 2, Cettic Silver (4-1): 3, Bas De Laine (100-30 keyl 9 ran (9-1); 3. Disc bit Larrie (100-30) at 7 Feb. (9-1); 3. Nicholes Plant (5-2 fat.) 7 ran. NR 1-10; 4.00 1, Feb. Terrier (4-1); 2. Kerno Sabo (33-1); 3. Teejay in alter) (5-1) Eden Dancer 5-2 fax 8 ran. NR: Pangeran

WARWICK

12.40 1, Glowing Path (8-11: 2, Supermick (11-2), 3, Newton Prince (8-1) Pagesus Bay 9-2 tev. 12 ren NR Salmong. 1.10 1, Super Sharp (5-1), 2. Crowleton (6-1); 3. Northern Opernet (3-1), Zeroder 10-11 for 4 ran 1,40 1, Time Enough (4-6 tav); 2, Copper Mine (9-4); 3, Cropredy Led (7-2), 4 ran Marie (4-4): 3, Coprecy Leo (1-6): 4-187 2-16 1, Runnavery Pete (11-6 1av), 2, Morstock (11-4): 3, Djass (9-2): 5-787 2-45 1, Indira (7-4 tar), 2, Lady Megrum (10-1): 3, How Could-I (11-2), 15 ram NR. Lenson Ledy. 3-20 1, Rer Conductor (4-7 fav), 2, Heisteinn Bern (11-4): 3, Ette Governor (9-2): 8-240. (9-2) 5 ran. 3.55 1, Denzente (11-4); 2. Odopero (7-4 fev); 3. Becky's Led (40-1) 7 ran.

WETHERBY

12.60 T, Cuesa Of Spacies (Evens fav); 2. Endowment (20-1), 3. Mithraid (8-1) 13 san NR Ben Cruschen, Forbes. 1,20 T, Potter's Bay (2-1 fav); 2. Random Harvest (3-1); 3. Rye Crossing (9-2) 9 ran 1.20 1, Potter's Bay (2-1 fay); 2, Random Harvest (3-1); 3, Rev Crossing (9-2) 9 ren 1.50 1, Direct Rouse (11-8 fay); 2, Fourth In Lins (8-1); 3, Randet (6-1); 6 ner 2.20 1, Stately Horne (7-1); 2, Joe Winte (14-1), 3, Bertone (11-5) Hill Of Tullow 6-5 lav. 4 ran.

2.80 1, Trainglot (7-4 fay); 2, What A Question (2-1); 3, Defficult Times (5-1); 7

nart 3.25 1, One Man (6-11 tev); 2, Barlon Bank (6-1); 3, Young Hustler (11-2), 4 nin. 4.07 1, Bethator (4-1); 2, Jackson Park (16-1); 3, Hever Golf Diamond (16-1) Kersen 6-6 fav. 12 ran WOLVERHAMPTON

7.00 1, Traiblezzer (11-4); 2, Ces-N-K (9-4 tav); 3, Collins Choice (25-1) 12 ren. NRt. Agent Mulder 7,30 1, Pharty Denoer (4-1), 2, Mad Milliant (2-1 tav); 3, Princely Gert (4-1) 12 ren. 8.00 1, Two To Tengo (4-5 tev); 2, Sounds Legal (20-1); 3, Carrasmia (11-4), 12 ren. ME Dino II Wisuel MT Caro's Masses
8.30 1, Jigsaw Boy (12-1): 2, See Spouse
(20-1); 3, No Monkey Nuts (7-1) Anonym
4-1 (1-lav 12 ran
9.00 1, Berschols Lad (33-1); 2, Bail-Pet
(14-1); 3, Lyctus Touch (8-1), Verinder's
Gift 5-2 lav 13 ran 9.30 1, Cheeky Chappy (10-1); 2, How's Yer Fasher (14-1), 3, Oragonyoy (5-1) Diaco Boy 3-1 lay, 13 ran

#### RUGBY UNION

Tour matches Cambridge Univ 11 South Africa A 57 Cambridge University: Try: Hyde Pens: Ashlorth 2 South Africa A: Tries: du Tot 2 Els, kayser Lince Lubbe, van der Watt. Cons: Smath 5 Pens: Smith 3 Dropped goal, du Tot Glasgow-Edinb 19 Australia XV Combured Glasgow-Edisburgh XV: Try. Logan, Con. Donaldson Pene: Donaldson 4 Australia XV: Tines, Campase Cornors, Knos. Manu, Wilson Cons. Knos 3 Penes Knos. 2

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#### As artificial surfaces proliferate, so injury time is increasing. John Goodbody asks if the two are connected

# Is this the penalty we must pay for a perfect pitch?

more injuries will be debated by the Royal Society of Medicine next month. With some 40 new pitches being laid every year in Britain, there is a need for an independent scientific survey into the relationship between the harder surfaces and a growing number of injuries to the back and lower limbs, particularly to hockey

All top-class and most club hockey is almost exclusively played on artificial pitches, which are also used extensively at lower levels for tennis, football and other sports. Richard Dodds, captain of

the Great Britain 1988 Olympic gold medal-winning hockteam and now an orthopaedic surgeon, will deliver the paper to the Royal Society. Dr Mike Irani, secretary of its Sports Medicine Committee, said: "We are certainly seeing more injuries but we do not know whether this is caused by the surfaces or whether having them available simply allows people to play so much more than they used to do."

The debate in Britain reflects that in American football, where there has been a shift away from plastic pitches in National Football League (NFL) stadiuma following a luster of injuries. Of the 30 NFL teams, 16 now play onartificial and 14 on natural grass. Most users accept that



grass. If players slide on the severely than on natural turf. drome nicknamed "Astrotoe" in which players stub their

is that grass gives just that little bit more than artificial turf. However, I am not con-vinced on whether synthetic surfaces cause injuries. We just do not have the figures." There are four main types of

bases are usually made either of a bound mineral layer such as Bitmac — used in the construction of roads - or

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plastic pile or sand, they will scrape their skin more Dodds also described a syntoes on the carpet.

Hockey physiotherapists have treated players with disc lesions and other vertebral joint problems. Ankle sprains and knee ligament and cartilage problems are also commonplace, yet no direct link has been established to blame all this on the new surfaces. Dodds said: "My gut feeling

artificial pitch, all of which have a shock absorbency layer

Knalysis of injuries is further confused by the fact that many players use a number of different carpets and founda-

tions during their career. They may also wear unsuitable shoes. Many manufacturers make shoes specifically for use on artificial surfaces - the traction pattern of the outsole

The type of shoes that players

wear and their interaction with the surface may be im-

Interest in football injuries

portant in this debate.

between the pile of the carpet surface. Most hockey players prefer playing on water-based pitches, although it can lead to a risk of blisters and trench foot. About 25 such pitches exist in Britain, and Dodds said of them: "They need watering between every game and even at half-time when it is bot but some authorities do

stone, sand or gravel, or a

combination of these. The

latter is more difficult to lay

but is increasingly used in

The other variable is wheth-

er sand or water is used

became less acute after artifi-Town, Preston North End and Queens Park Rangers — were banned by the Football League eight years ago. However,

concern has remained at lower levels of the sport and also at all strata of hockey.

Hard knocks are to be expected as East Grinstead battle with Surbiton at a hockey match on a typical modern artificial pitch this season, but some believe that grass is safer

This was highlighted when four leading hockey internationals - Sandie Lister, Karen of Nike's top-of-the-range Rio. Tima Cullen and for example, is designed for Vickey Dixon - suffered severe back injuries in the water-based and sand-based early 1990s. Adrian Lees, Professor of Biomechanics at John Moores

et Geraldine Wat-kins, the England physiotherapist at the University in Liverpool, said: 1994 women's World Cup, warned: "It is difficult to compare injuries suffered on artificial pitches with those on grass, primarily because elite y is now exclusively played on plastic surfaces. In any case, since most hockey is played bent over, you would expect to see lower back injuries."

Both Watkins and Dr Roslyn Carbon, the medical official to the women's hockey team in Atlanta this summer. also pointed out that the game has become much faster since artificial surfaces have been used regularly, leading to players running and turning even more quickly than they did on grass.

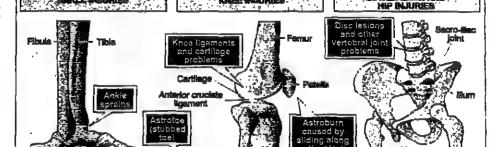
Peter Dury, an independent consultant on sports facilities, said that in the early days (the first pitch was laid in Islington, north London, in 1971) the foundation was often too hard.

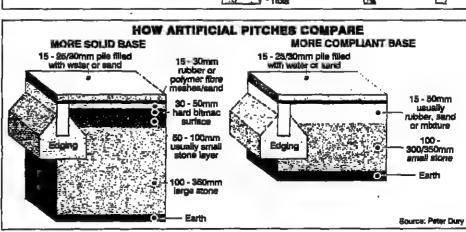
"There is no doubt that pitches have become much better over the last 10 years," he said. "A lot of the adverse reaction in the United States has been because the carpets were laid with a solid base such as concrete or Bitmac. I saw the Islington surface in 1976 and the shock pad between the carpet and the foundation had turned almost

to dust over the five years." Dury and Arthur Dye, head of research services at the Sports Council, report that in recent years the move has been towards a more compliant base. However, no research has been done as to whether this has led to any decline in any injuries.

Vic Watson, a member of the Football League committee which examined artificial pitches 10 years ago, said the technology was available to do anything that professional football wanted. "However, the clubs never laid down the criteria for a synthetic pitch. It was like pushing against a

closed door." There is much interest in the experiment at the McAlpine Stadium in Huddersfield, which is the home of both professional football and rugby league. Here, a pitch was





laid last summer consisting of synthetic fibres within natural turf. This should allow more regular use by both sports without damaging the pitch.
For manufactured artificial pitches, Dye and Watson

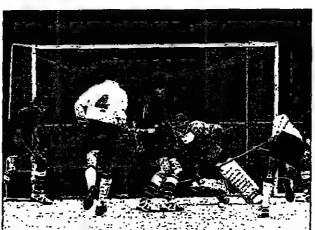
agreed that the requirements

of shock padding at the elite level of sports were different. Watson said: "The softest should be football, then hockey and finally tennis on the firmest cushioning. You could play football and hockey on the same surface, or even hockey and tennis. As for football and tennis, you should forget it. If you play on the wrong surface, I believe you are more likely to get injured.

he reason why so many local authorities, clubs, schools and universities instal synthetic pitches is that, if floodlights are available, they can be used 24 hours a day, all year round, for a variety of activities.

Their durability and versatility are two of their chief strengths. But the question remains whether their great weakness is that they lead to increased injuries.

Professor Lees summarised: "It is speculative. There is an absence of any scientific work. Most of the evidence at the moment is simply anecdotal."



Pitches like this are being suspected of foul play

#### By Robert Sheehan, bridge correspondent Today's hand is an example of a communication play I've discussed before. They do come up in practice, I assure you. This one occurred in the high-stake game at TGR's. Dealer North

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I approve of North's Two Diamond rebid, although by some criteria his hand is worth Three Diamonds after all, it is at least a king better than an opening bid. South ducked two spades and took the third round. Then he played a club to hand and led a diamond; West played low, and dummy's ten forced East's queen. Now it was all over - declarer made a spade trick, a heart trick, five

diamonds and two clubs. Look what happens if West puts in the jack of diamonds. Declarer can't duck, so has to play ace, king and another diamond. Now with West holding the king of hearts declarer can't take his nine tricks without letting West in. ☐ The France Open team won the Olympiad in Rhodes over the weekend, beating Indonesia by 358 IMPs to 269. France

took a big lead in the first session, and were never in danger of losing. Indonesia had a dramatic semi-final victory over Denmark, winning on the last deal of extra time; France had a more comfortable win over Taiwan. In the women's series, the United States overcame a firstsession deficit against China to win by 268-198.

In the world mixed teams' championship, which ran in parallel with the Olympiad. Heather Dhondy and Liz McGowan, of Great Britain, teamed up with four of the Iceland Open squad, and won the tournament. In the final, they heat a team captained by Mark Feldman of the United States by 66-55.

☐ Robert Sheehan writes on bridge Monday to Friday in Sport and in the Weekend section on Saturday.

#### WORD-WATCHING

#### By Philip Howard

JIRBLE a. A pet rodent b. Pour and shake liquid c. To talk indistinctly

**JOBATION** a. A pretend job b. A rocket

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By RAYMOND KEENE CHEST COURSELFONDENT

The British Chess Federation book of the year award has gone to David Bronstein, the Russian author, for his book The Sorcere's Apprentice, published by Cadogan. The judges said: "Bronstein's book was a unanimous first choice. Dayid Bronstein possessed a chess imagination of the highest order and his best games can stand alongside any world champions. The Sorcerer's Apprentice is, however, more than just a well annotated collection of best games — it reveals the man behind the

player. It also amply illustrates Bronstein's love of the game and his artistic genius." Here is a game won by Bronstein from his 1951 world championship challenge. White David Bronstein Black: Mikhail Botvinnik

World championship

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Top tournament

The city of Las Palmas will organise, from December 8 to 21, what aspires to be the strongest chess tournament of all time. It will be a double round competition featuring Garry Kasparov and Anatoly Karpov, among others.

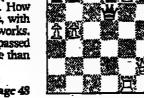
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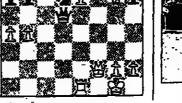
The Times Winning Moves 2 contains 240 chess puzzles from international grandmaster Raymond Keene's daily column in The Times, and is available now from bookshops or from B.T. Barsford Ltd (tel: 01376 321276 at £6.99 plus postage and packing). ☐ Raymond Keene writes on chess Monday to Friday in Sport and in

the Weekend section on Saturday.

#### By Raymond Keene

White to play. This position is from the game Lima - Quinn, Erevan Ölympiad 1996. How did White swiftly prove, with some sacrificial foreworks. that his powerful passed pawns were worth more than





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#### SOUTHAMPTON MEDICAL SCHOOL

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# In search of future cures

Pat Blair introduces a three-page report on Southampton's medical school, 25 years old and still in the forefront of research and training

**Professor Eric** 

Thomas and

below. Sir

Donald Acheson

Medical School was inaugurated on Octo-ber 29, 1971, it was opened by Sir Keith Joseph, then Secretary of State for Social Services. It was one of only three medical schools opened in this century, the others being Nottingham and Leicester.

Iniquely, however, the Southampton school was conceived jointly by the university

and what was then the regional health authority of the NHS. They saw it as an unparalleled opportunity to set up a regional organisation in which service, education and research could support each oth-

That was not the only respect in which it was นกique among medial schools. From their first term. students were in contact with patients, albeit gradually at first.

There was also what Professor (now Sir) Donald the Acheson. founding Dean of

Medicine, called "the boldest innovation in the Southampton course". Students would be expected to spend their fourth year in research apart from a day of clinical work a week and six weeks' elective clinical work - study-ing a subject in depth and presenting their dissertations for scrutiny at their annual scien-

It was ahead of its time, in

that medical students went out into primary care: to local district general hospitals in the area not just to the teaching hospital," says David Moss, chief executive of the Southampton University Hospital Trust, which has close links with both the medical school and the university.

The medical faculty comprises four schools, each with its own head: the School of Medicine; the School of Nurs-

ing and Midwifery: the School of Occupational Therapy and Physiotherapy, one of only two combined schools in the UK; and the School of Biological Sciences.
The NHS trust

is closely involved riculum. Its director of medical education sits on the faculty's education committee.

\*Obviously we have a big input to those curriculums: our consultants teach and our services provide exposure for students," says Mr Moss. The School of Medicine

started with 40 students. an annual intake that has now more than quadrupled, says Professor Eric Thomas, the head of the school. There have been other

shifts. The founding profes-sors were selected as allrounders in terms of teaching. research and their clinical ability. But with a shift in how government allocates money.



A student researcher: students are expected to spend their fourth year on research

are then funded by the nat-

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the emphasis and expectation of clinical academics have also altered. All medical schools, when considering new appointments, now take more account of people's research abilities.

There is more focus on research now," says Professor mentioning the change in the medical school's grants for new research: in 1991, £3.1 million; by 1995-96 El4 million

In 1992, the then regional health authority, in collaboration with the university, set up the Wessex Institute with the idea of rejuvenating public health and health services

research. "We've now built up commissioned from the best research groups nationwide, including Southampton.

The NHS trust is freeing space, and it will cost the quite a wide portfolio of re-search." says Professor John

Gabbay, director of the insti-tute. It co-ordinates the NHS's national programme for as-sessing health technology, school about £680,000 to expand laboratories in what is which includes drugs, equip-ment and devices used in known as the Duthie-Tenovus building, Professor Thomas healthcare, as well as the way and his team will shortly be services are best organised. seeking more scientists to Each year, it sifts to about 40 work in this building, taking research topics from the 1,000 the school further forward in its quest for excellence. that people in the NHS feel they might need answers to if they want to purchase or provide better health. These

Meanwhile various events. including dances and a lecture series, are planned, both to celebrate the school's first 25 years and to raise funds for the new laboratories.

## Finding the answers in cyberspace

the medical school is the servant of the acommunity wherever patients are being looked after, Pat Blair writes. So says Chris Thompson, a Professor of Psychiatry based at the Royal South Hants Hospital in South-

ampton.
"Our task," he says, "is to ensure that those students get access to medical care in the full range of facilities in which it is provided today. Not just in operating the arres but also in people's nomes, day centres, day

From its inception, Southampton exposed students to natients within weeks of their starting medical education, a practice that has since spread to many other medical schools.

modern practice."

It was also important for students to see patients when they were normal, at home, to take into account the impact of an illness on the family,

He cites the case of a man in his fifties, retired on medical grounds because of severe manic depression. When I took over his care, his wife was at the end of her tether because she wasn't coping. He had had about two relapses a year for the previous five years. She was asking me to do a frontal lobotomy, like One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest."

He refused. There were other treatments to try. Within two months the man **Teaching** 

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sor Chris Thompson

of the Royal South Hants

Today, the couple has a happy married and social

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was discharged from hospital. "We did one other crucial thing apart from giving him the right treatment. We said to his wife you're the expert on his condition. When you see him getting the property and the same are appropriate and the same ill, phone us urgently and we promise to respond immediately. After a while, when she trusted us, it lowered her

'anxiety about getting treatment when he needed it."

It has several advantages, Professor Thompson says, as it allows students to learn how multidisciplinary teams work, "In psychiatry, students track community psychiatric nurses, to see how they work: they go with consultant psychiatrists to see patients in their homes. A lot of psychiatry is carried out this way now, so it is essential that students see

Depression is an important focus of research in Southampton, from basic science, through treatment to the delivery of care. Here. computer technology is beginning to play a significant part in teaching and learn-ing. An interactive computer program, printed on to CD and delivered on a laptop. has already won an award from the British Institute of Multimedia Art.

Aimed at GPs and dealing with depression, it uses high-quality video of a

sulting the viewer, the doc-tor. The doctor has a multiple-choice bank of questions; depending on the question asked, the patient will answer.

You drive the interview almost like a real interview." says Professor Thompson. Once information has been elicited, the doctor is asked to make a diagnosis. If it is incorrect, the program says why, pointing out missed

aspects of symptoms. The CD carries information about depression, together with drug treatments, appropriate psychological and social approaches and the scientific literature that supports the treatment

Soon they will be produc-ing undergraduate teaching materials on CD. That will lead us on towards providing that over the internet, so when our students are situated in placements around Wessex, they will be able to go to a computer terminal linked to the Internet and tap in to their own Southampton University interactive psychiatry textbook."

He is now forming partnerships with commercial organisations to expand and speed up the work. "We think we should have it all on line by the middle of next

year" he says.
It is unlikely to put psychiatrists out of business. But, he says: "We think that patients need to know much more about their illnesses and the treatments being offered so they can make informed choices." Some information containing the most important points about an illness and its treatment could be tailored to patients. It could then be delivered in GP's surgeries or in outpatient clinics."

Professor Thompson thinks production is possibly only two years away.

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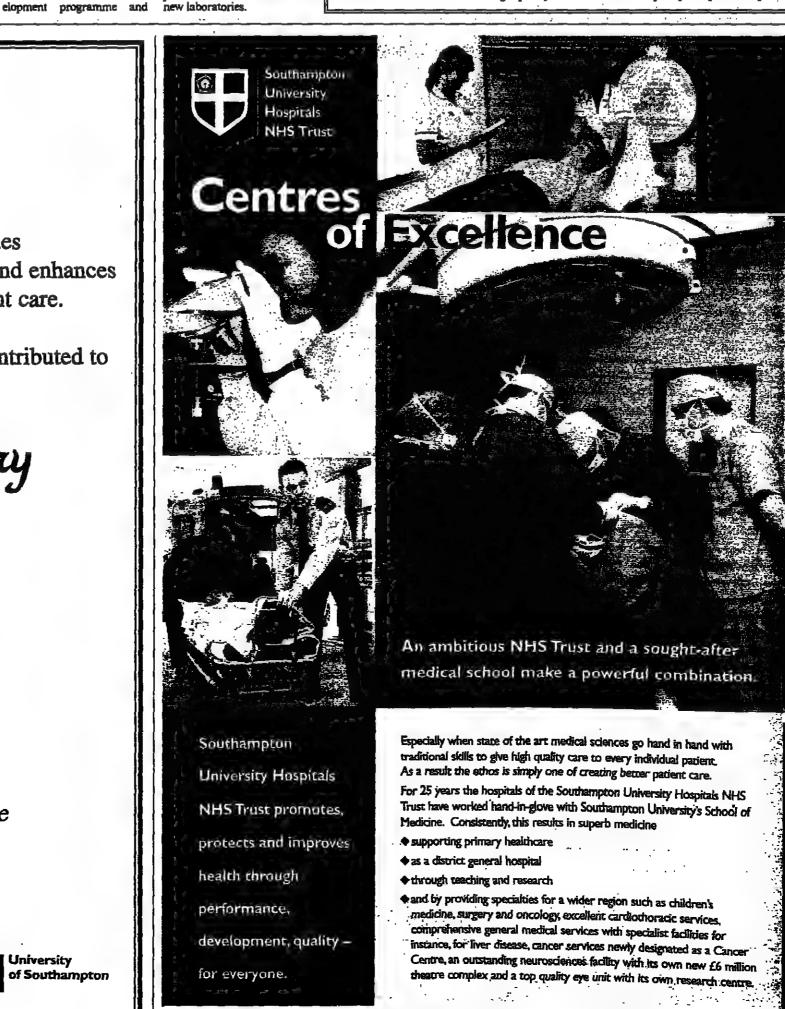
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#### Students at Southampton can look for inspiration to world-beating research programmes on birth weight and asthma

# You are what your mother ate — and the records prove it

n medicine, genuinely fresh ideas are rare. They often originate from a new way of looking at the evidence, or a new analytical technique.

But few would have expected that poring over the records made by midwives and health visitors more than half a century ago would lead to a new perception of many modern diseases. It is the achievement of Professor David Barker and his team, at the Medical Research Council's Environmental Epidemiology Unit at Southampton, to have done just that.

In a series of studies published over the past 10 years, they have shown that the weight of a baby at birth and at one year of age is a strong predictor of its future chances of developing heart disease, diabetes, high blood pressure, chronic obstructive lung disease and stroke.

Foor nutrition of mothers during pregnancy handicaps their babies, and increases their chances of adding to the toll of heart disease, the Western world's greatest killer.

The pattern was first spotted by studying birth records taken by health visitors in Hertfordshire, beginning in 1911, and at a hospital in Preston a little later.

By comparing birth weights and weights at one from the Herfordshire records with the subsequent life histories of 6,500 men, Professor Barker found that weight at one was a far better predictor of death from heart disease than was the cholesterol level of the men within a year or two of their deaths. The lighter babies were the ones at

When these results first appeared, many suspected they were an artefact — that weight at birth and at one was simply a marker for other handicaps, including powerty. But the weight of evidence comings to accumulate.

"Identical results have now been produced in Sweden and in the US," says Professor Barker. "It's



Professor Barker with the records that prompted his theories about birth weight as a predictor

yery important to have independent replication of the results, and very gratifying that they confirm what we found."

The work cuts through some of the paradiotes which long surrounded dictary theories of heart disease. For example, if a rich diet is the problem, why are deaths from heart disease commoner among the poor? Heart disease began, after all, as a disease of the

The model explains that by pointing out that the affluent were the first to enjoy a richer ellet as acusts, for which their experience in the womb had not prepared them. This means that heart discusse first affected the rich, with poorer people following. In this way, the rise and now the decline of heart death rates followed half a century behind the foetal experiences that helped to determine it.

The team is conducting a big new study to build on this success. Two groups of 1,000 women, one in India and the other in Southampton, have been followed during their pregnancies, and their diets recorded. When they had their babies, records of birth weights and other details were taken.

"In a couple of years we will follow up by measuring the blood pressure in these babies" Professor Barker says. "We don't need to wait until they are adult and have developed diseases — we can tell much sooner than that."

He expects that blood pressure in the infants will conform to the pattern already established from the historical records: the lighter babies have higher blood pressure.

The work is also producing indications of what it is about maternal diet that influences the baby's fate. "It obviously can't be

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simply a lack of food," he says. "Not many people in the West suffer from that any more." What is emerging is that there is a balance between protein and carbohydrate in early pregnancy that needs to be

in an optimum way.

If being too small at birth is not a good thing, should we all be aiming to produce huge babies? Not necessarily so, because the evidence is that heavy babies are more likely to suffer from breast, ovary and property cancers.

maintained if the baby is to develop

It looks as if there is a balance to be struck in a mother's nutrition during pregnancy to achieve the best chance of long life and health for her baby. Over the next few years, Professor Barker and his team will be trying to establish what that balance is.

NIGEL HAWKES

#### Seeking answers to the genetic mysteries of asthma

sthma affects 11 per cent of adults and up to 20 per cent of children in Britain — yet it barely exists in the rest of the animal kingdom. Why is it unique to human beings?

In three or four centres in the UK, including Southampton, scientists are seeking the answer to that question.

"We are way ahead of America and most of Europe," says Stephen Holgate, Professor of Respiratory Medicine at Southampton, "because we've been studying human disease, whereas many other institutions have been trying to model it in animals."

Model it in animals."

One answer may lie in genes.
Asthma is known to cluster in families, so Southampton researchers are comparing blood samples in families where asthma is prevalent, looking for a linkage between markers.

"If you show that a particular marker moves with a disease through multiple families, you know you have an area of the chromosome that's generically important in the disease," says Professor Holgate. "We've found two, possibly three areas of great interest."

A second approach, about to start, is a random human gene search, where markers are placed at regular intervals along the whole human genome and then tracked with the movement of the disease through families. That may lead to the discovery of other areas of chromosome involved in asthma. The aim is to identify those at risk of developing asthma from an early age, and perhaps prevent it; to provide new targets for drugs; and to learn more about the mechanisms of asthma.

The research shows that about 80 per cent of all severe asthma attacks lasting more than two days are virus-related rather than, as most people think, due to allergies. "So you have an interaction between allergens, which underlie the onset of the disease through the



genetic predisposition, now linking to viruses which can feed off this and make it worse," Professor Holgate explains. In the department of child health, meanwhile, Professor John Warner and his team are discovering that even at birth there appears to be a defect in the production of the substance encoded on chromosome 12 that suppresses an asthma attack.

hey are investigating the environmental influences affecting the foetus and new-born baby that may trigger allergic disease, particularly asthma, in those who have a cenetic predisposition.

trigger allergic disease, particularly asthma, in those who have a genetic predisposition.

Professor Warner says: "Even if you inherit the genes for an allergic problem from your parents, you don't necessarily develop

the problem. We believe that the

genes that predispose you to aller-

gy are common in the population; it might even be normal to have them because they influence the immune response that allows you to fight against parasitic infections."

The Southampton team has found there is more happening antenatally than was previously beleived. Contrary to previous belief, says Professor Warner, "most of the immune system is very mature by birth and a lot of the primary events that set the immune system going have occurred during pregnancy".

This could include babies al-

This could include babies already being "switched on" to react in an allergic way to milk, eggs, house mites or animal hairs, "even in the womb". They also know that If the switch-on is detected at birth as being excessive, many of those babies go on to get develop allergic

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# Why a student searched for surfers

The research projects undertaken by Southampton's students are many and various, reports Pat Blair -

but all have to be presented to a conference

students at South-School started to take stock of a wide range of subjects for potential research. It is a feature of the school that though fourth-year students are expected to do a clinical speciality with clinical attachments, they are also expected to concentrate on research.

Each student chooses his or her own area of interest, which may be in clinical or basic science fields, and studies one aspect of it in depth. The range of subjects researched, written up in a 5,000-word dissertation, presented and justified to the annual conference in May. is as great as the number of

One student, about three years ago, roamed beaches around Southampton to find windsurfers. After measuring sea contamination around the South Coast, she was trying to find a connection with cases of gastroenteritis, diarrhoea and vomiting among people who had been in the sea.

Currently, there are re-search studies involving the incidence of asthma in children, growing cancer cells in culture, and microscopic experiments in physiology and

"It's a huge range of projects," says Rod Thomp-son, Professor of Clinical Biochemistry and the fourth year co-ordinator. And it is complicated to run so many projects school in a wide variety of

Not many student conferences can, however, boast such eminent speakers as the Nobel Prize winner James Watson, of DNA fame, Baroness Warnock and Sir Donald Acheson, the former Chief Medical Officer. It is a measure of the success of the medical school's approach that such luminaries appear pleased to be invited by students presenting their own

scientific studies. The point of this approach.

ast month the current crop of fourth-year methods and skills, is to help them develop inquiring minds and to develop their independence as learners. "We want them to learn to

be able to appraise research evidence critically," says Professor John Gabbay, who is part of a team reviewing the fourth year project. "We think that doctors ought to be able to do that but are often not properly trained." "We want them to be able to understand the nature and context of research and how it informs practice, and we believe it is best to learn about research by doing some at a reasonable amount of depth, preferably in a clinical context.

"We think it's very important that students learn to think for themselves and have a culture of inquiry rather than of receiving wisdom from

Though some projects do find their way into scientific journals, which subsequently looks good on CVs, that is not the point of the exercise. In our view, the assessment should be looking at the process, rather than the outcome of the research project," says Professor Gabbay.

Professor Thompson adds: "All the students get useful experience of research methods. It stands them in good stead in whatever branch of medicine they finish up." Apart from those who take up research posts, some Southampton graduates continue their interest in research once they leave medi-

One London GP, Mark Ashworth, who graduated in 1979 and who has just received a £52,000 research grant to study respite care, says that it was without doubt his fourth year project that nurtured his interest in research. I don't think I would still be doing research otherwise," he says.

He had been studying symptoms of wheat allergy. We even thought we'd identified new symptoms." It opened his eyes. He says: "It was ies waiting to be made out

Professor Gabbay's hope is to find a way of evaluating properly the extent to which this happens and the proportion of students who are similarly inspired.

tions for each of the 165 available places at the school. From the outset, Southampton set aside places for graduates and mature students. They now form about 18 per cent of the annual intake. Although many have come from related disciplines, such as dentistry. chemistry and physiotherapy, they have also embraced people who have decided to change career entirely. These have included engineers, social workers and submariners. one of whom is now a GP with the Royal Navy.

They're extremely commitred." says Professor Thompson, "My experience is that people who come into medicine late work very hard and do well. Most people who have experience of mature students find them a success.

Professor Eric Thomas, the head of the School of Medicine. comments: "Mature graduates are usually highly motivated and well-focused. The down side is that they can



Southampton students with David Barrett, orthopaedic surgeon. Later they will have to present their own research

# Primary care caught by the throat

family doctors com-V plaining of sore throats. Should they be given antibiotics immediately, or if they don't clear up within a few days? Or do they make no difference? What do patients about antibiotics? Would they go back to their doctor about a sore throat?

The answers to some of these questions may influence how GPs nationwide treat the problem. They have been posed in one of the largest studies of sore throat treatexciting: there were discoverments ever done in Britain in

general practice. The results will be published soon.

The pilot study and part of the main project were carried out at Aldermoor Health Centre. It is a normal health centre, with four full-time doctors caring for 8,000 pa-tients. But it is also Southampton medical school's general practice unit for teaching and research. "Not all our research is done through the practice, although some is," says Dr Jenny Field, senior lecturer in primary medical care. "But the practice has

been enormously valuable in

carrying out pilot projects, in recruiting patients, in being a sounding board for the feasi-bility of projects in other

The sore-throat pilot study, for example, involved an anthropologist observing pa-tients and asking them what they thought were the important outcomes of their consultation. Their answers influenced the questionnaires used in the main project.

Between 80 and 90 per cent of all medical care in the UK is carried out not in hospital but in primary health care -

general practices, health centres, people's homes. So it is important that research is also undertaken in those settings.

Aldermoor was, for example, involved in a comparison of antibiotics versus placebo in the treatment of otitis media, inflammation of the middle car which, in practice, means a red, painful ear.

"A lot of work was done in the practice initially, trying to identify what kinds of cars doctors would and would not treat," says Dr Field. The project showed that antibiotics reduced the length of pain

by about one day. "But to the average mother with a child with otitis media, one day's reduction to the length of pain pretty important she says.

Southampton believes strongly that it should provide experience of primary care and of community medical services as well as hospitalbased services. More than 40 per cent of the region's GPs are involved in teaching an unusually large proportion. And the patients? "On the whole," says Dr Field, "they are very keen to help students

#### **There** is life after surgery'

REHABILITATION is at the forefront of thinking in medical development. according to Lindsay McLellan, Europe Professor of Rehabilitation at Southampton. "We are starting to see there is perhaps more to disease just curing

pathology."
There is life beyond drugs and surgery, he says, and students need to discern not only the contribution patients make to their own recovery, but the impact of disability on the family and on life in society.

As well as doctors and nurses, there are also therapists, sociologists and a teacher among Professor McLellan's staff of 30. "Otherwise you haven't got the range of expertise you need to tackle the problems."

A research programme, funded by the Department of Health, is undertaken in the Disability Equipment Assessment Centre, one of three nationwide. Equipment used by and for sessed: anything from a commode to a special pen for a child who cannot hold one properly. Formal reports, with user trials and guidelines for selecting appropriate equipment, are issued to all health authorities.

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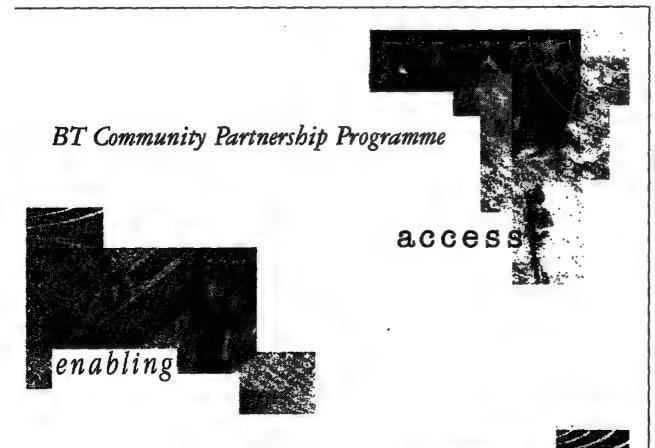
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To the regret of Professor McLellan (who is a neurologist), the department's "least successful Impact" has been on clinical services within the Southampton University Hospital Trust. He says: There have been few rehabilitation service developments in Southampton for the past 12-years. despite a plethora of managers."

But complaints of that kind, of course, are common among medical staff in every hospital.



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# Changes in GP services must pass the quality test



A nurse could be used to answer out-of-hours calls to doctors and direct them to the appropriate service

Think twice before you call your doctor. So runs the theme of a o stem the rise in out-of-hours calls to GPs, to enable them to concentrate on medical emerencies. Such a mass-population campaign is doomed to failure, says Dr Steve George, senior lecturer in public health medicine at Southampton Medical School. He cons ders that it is rather a simplistic notion to tell people only to call the doctor about impor-

The public has no idea what's important medically and what's not," he says. How should they? They are not experts. If they did not think it important, they would not have phoned. We really

lances, Dr George believes learn is investigating whether

A health expert is trying to devise ways of meeting patients' needs,

while making better use of resources needs, reduce doctors' stress and use resources better, would be to employ a nurse

hours calls and direct them to the appropriate service Dr George is midway through the £500,000, three-year trial involving 50 GPs with a 100,000 patients. Under it. the duty nurse either gives advice and reassurance; puts callers through to the GP; or calls an ambulance. "People

specifically to answer out-of-

need not be afraid of calling. He also points out that what seems a great idea may not be in practice. What happens if says: "Not all GPs are perfect, and neither are all nurses. We

need to compare them in a · His worry is that GPs migh they have been tested. In 1994, when his investigation ing up all over". What hap-pens, he wooders, if the results show they are not a good thing?

is concern is understandable in a Department of Healthfunded study four years ago at Sheffield University. Dr George caused some controversy when he found that a system designed to cut waiting times in hospital accident and emergency departments did not work. The nurse triage system — where patients are assigned a priority, such as "must be treated now", or "can wait an hour - actually increased waiting times, especially for the most urgent

seen by someone within live - thus meeting govemment targets - the wait for treatment lengthened. The

previous informal system had been quicker. The Southamp ton team is now exploring despite the evidence departments are still operating triage systems.

If waiting times and GP

call-outs are national concerns, so too is the general rise in 999 ambulance calls. In an 18-month study due to end late next year, the South-

ambulance records going back 10 years to try to estab lish why demand has risen. That, coupled with a survey of GPs' perceptions of the reasons, may give clues to better, more appropriate services na-

What has been coined th evaluation bypass — a bit of marketing, a bit of enthusiasm and a bit of ignorance and things get incorporated anyway." explains Dr George is not good enough, he says. Only by testing what does or does not work will services meet people's real demands in the long term; and that is what he and his colleagues

PAT BLAIR

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# Former tenant a tolerated trespasser

Burrows v Brent London on the date on which the tenant is to reinstate her. The council's Borough Conneil Before Lord Browne-Wilkinson Lord Keith of Kinkel, Lord Griffiths, Lord Jauncey of Tullichettle

and Lord Stevn

Speeches October 311 In the absence of special circumstances, an agreement between a secured tenant and a landlord of property protected by Part IV of the Housing Act 1985 for the tenant to continue in possession after the date specified in a possession order did not give rise to a new secured

it was an agreement that, upon the tenant complying with agreed conditions, the landlord would forbear from executing the possession order, so finally putting an end to the tenant's right to apply to the court for an order reviving the tenancy. The tenant was a tolerated trespasser until either the old tenancy was revived or the

The House of Lords so held allowing an appeal by the defen-Council, against the dismissal by the Court of Appeal (The Times July 21, 1995; (1995) 94 LGR 525), of the council's appeal from Judge Finestein, QC, in Willesden Crown

Court on August 19, 1994.

The judge had: (i) granted a declaration that the plaintiff, Diane Sarah Elizabeth Burrows, was a secure tenant of 28 Oxford Road, Kilburn, a flat owned by the council, pursuant to an agreement made between them on February 5, 1992 and (ii) granted a man datory injunction against the council to re-admit her to the flat. Section 82 of the Housing Act

"(1) A secure tenancy which is either - (a) a weekly or other periodic tenancy, or (b) a tenancy for a term certain but subject to termination by the landlord, cannot be brought to an end by the landlord except by obtaining an order of the court for the pos-

"(2) Where the landlord obtains an order for the possession of the

Gold Coin Joailliers SA v

Before Lord Justice Nourse, Lord

Justice Auld and Sir Patrick

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to give up possession in pursuance appeal had been dismissed. Section 85 provides:

"(1) Where proceedings are brought for possession of a dwell-ing house let under a secure tenancy for the non-payment of rent] the court may adjourn the proceedings for such period or periods as it thinks fit.

(2) On the making of an order for possession of such a dwellinghouse on any of those grounds, or at any time before the execution of the order, the court may - (a) stay or suspend the execution of the order, or (b) postpone the date of possession, for such period or periods as the court thinks fit. (3) On such an adjournment,

stay, suspension or postponement the court - (a) shall impose conditions with respect to the payment by the tenant of arrears of rent (if any) and rent or payments in respect of occupation after the termination of the tenancy (mesne profits), unless it considers that to do so would cause exceptional hardship to the tenant or would otherwise be unreasonable, and (b) may impose such other conditions as it thinks fit

(4) If the conditions are com-plied with, the court may, if it thinks fit discharge or rescind the

Mr Ashley Underwood, OC and Mr Bryan McGuire for Brent, Mr David Neuberger, QC and Mr William Geldart for Diane

BROWNE-WIL-KINSON said Miss Burrows had fallen behind with her rent after obtained a final order for possession on February 12, 1992. On February 5, 1992 Miss Bur-

rows had formally agreed to pay her rent arrears at a specified rate in return for the council's agree-ment not to seek to evict, but she had failed to do so. Brent issued a possession warrant which was executed on June 8, 1994.

that she was a secure tenant and

deputy High Court judge in March

1995, whereby he had ordered it to

pay damages to the plaintiff. Gold Coin Josilliers SA, for negligent misrepresentation. The judge had found contributory negligence of 25 per cent by the plaintiff.

Mr Anthony Mann, QC and Mr Michael Patchett-Joyce for the bank; Mr Michael Pooles for the

LORD JUSTICE AULD said

that the plaintiff, of whom Mr Edmond Avakian was the sole

shareholder and controlling direc-

tor, dealt in watches and jewellery

from offices in Geneva. The bank

had an office in London at which

Mr Faisai Al Mutawa, a long-

The Court of Appeal had accepted that by section 82(2) Miss Burrows' original tenancy had Yet under the agreement of February 5, she remained in occupation paying a "rent charge".

That agreement could only take effect as an agreement to permit Miss Burrows to stay on after her existing tenancy had terminated. right of occupation, either a new tenancy or a licence, which by indistinguishable from a tenancy.

Brent had argued that she was merely a tolerated trespasser, but the Court of Appeal had rejected that argument as it would take her 14 years to pay off the arrears, and for that time she would enjoy none of the rights of a tenant. Before their Lordship's house

Brent had advanced a more compelling argument based on Greenwich LBC v Regan (The Times February 8, 1996), namely that although under section 82(2) the original tenancy came to an end on February 12, 1992, the court postnone the date of possession That power was exercisable "at e before the execution of the order, even after the date for had nassed.

Section 85(3)(a) demonstrated although the old tenancy had terminated and the former tenant had remained in possession, the court could, until the original order was executed, make an order varying the date for the giving of possession thereby reviving the previously defunct tenancy.

Therefore, so far as the tenant was concerned, the crucial event possession. Down to that date the tenant could apply to the court for a variation of the original order substituting a new date on which reviving the old secured tenancy.

His Lordship started from the

Probity reference does not guarantee identity

plaintiff that a man with whom the

plaintiff was about to, and did deal

was Mr Al Mutawa, whereas the

man was an imposter who de-frauded the plaintiff.

In July 1993 the imposter had

telephoned the bank, announcing himself as Mr Al Mutawa. He had

said that he was arranging a deal and had asked for a bank reference

to be given over the telephone to the plaintiff.

On the same day the imposter

still representing himself as Mr Al

Mutawa, relephoned the plaintiff

suggesting that it telephone the bank for the reference. The plain-

tiff had agreed.

The plaintiff was then told by the bank that Mr Al Mutawa had just

oned the bank and that it

representation by the bank to the call: It informed the plaintiff that

tenant was by agreement allowed to remain in possession after the question in each case was what the parties had in mind; depending on the circumstances, their conduct licence or some other

termination of in the instant case, on February 5, 1992 the parties plainly did not intend to create a new senancy or licence but only to defer the execution of the order so long as Miss Burrows complied with the agreed conditions.

A secure tenancy under Part IV of the 1985 Act was not like an ordinary tenancy. It could only be terminated by order of the court, but even that was not final.

During the period between the date specified by the order for the giving of possession and the date on which the order was executed there was a period of limbo; the old tenancy had gone but might yet be revived by a further court order varying the date for possession. if the parties reached an agree-

ment on continued occupation by the tenant during that limbo period, their agreement could and should take effect as they intended, that is, as an agreement by the landlords that, upon the tenant complying with the agreed con-ditions, the landlords would forbear from executing the order, that is, from taking the step which would finally put an end to the tenant's right to apply to the court for an order reviving the tenancy. There was no need to impute to the parties an intention to create a new tenancy or licence: the reten-

of rent related to occupation under the old tenancy which was in limbo but which might be revived. In those circumstances it was fair to characterise the former tenant as a trespasser whom the landlord had agreed not to evict, a tolerated trespasser, pending ei-ther the revival of the old tenancy

tion of possession and the payment

Mr Al Mutawa was a respectable

and trustworthy person and that

he would not enter into any

transaction that he could not fulfil.

worth LIS \$450,000 to the imposter

who in purported payment handed the plaintiff a handwritten instruc-

tion to the bank to pay the plaintiff

The bank refused to honour the

instruction because, as it readily saw and later confirmed with Mr

The basis of the plaintiff's claim

against the bank was not that the

information given was negligent as a report about Mr Al Mutawa

but that the bank negligently and mistakenly confirmed the plain-

Al Mutawa, he had not given it.

That conversation satisfied the

tence so that the neither the repairing coverants nor the Defective Premises Act 1972 applied, the tenant could at any time go to court to revive the tenancy by varying the date on which possession was to be given. There could be little doubt that the court would make the order if the tenant had complied with the agreed conditions.

LORD JAUNCEY, concurring, said the court's power to make an order postponing the date of possession could be exercised on the application of either party at time prior to execution of that order and even after the secure tenancy had ended by reason of section 82(2)

postponing the date of possession necessarily affected the operation of section 82(2), an order staying or suspending the execution of an order for possession on a stated date had no effect on the operation of that subsection but merely postponed execution so long as the conditions of suspension were complied with

The reference to mesne profits in section 82(3)(a) was relevant to the period of occupation after such a suspension as well as to any period tion of a tenancy under section 82 and the subsequent postponement of the date of possession under

section 85(2)(a).

The words showed that Act contemplated the court requiring post-termination payments to be made by an occupier which were of a nature wholly inconsistent with the existence of any tenancy in his or her favour.

During the period between the ation of the secure tenancy and either its revival or the execution of the order for possession the occupation of the former secure tenant derived not from any new lease but from the

Lord Keith, Lord Griffiths and Solicitors: Mr Paul Barber,

whom it was dealing was Mr Al

Thus the question was whether the bank in giving the reference assumed and breached a duty to plaintiff correctly to ide Mr Al Mutawa as the person with whom the plaintiff was dealing.

The judge had failed to direct his mind adequately to the two different types of duty under consideration and to consider what, if any, circumstances pointed to a clear assumption by the bank of a duty to the plaintiff, not to Mr Al from financial probity: see per Lord Browne-Wilkinson in White v lones (1995) 2 AC 207, 273); per Lord Pearce in Hedley Byrne & Co Ltd v Heller & Partners Ltd §1964 465, 539) and per Lord Bridge of

Harwich in Caparo Industries ple v Dickman ([1990] 2 AC 605, 620). The bank's opening casual re-mark to the plaintiff could not unount to a representation that the person with whom the plaintill was dealing was Mr Al Mutawa. The plaintiffs only request had been for a bank reference in respect of Mr Al Mutawa and there was no reason why the bank should have foreseen that the plaintiff might want information outside the normal scope of a bank

It was undoubtedly their joint understanding that Mr Al Mutawa was the man with whom the plaintill was dealing, but that did not create a duty on the bank to convert the bank's remarks into a representation as to identity on which it should have foreseen the

plaintiff would rely.

The judge's finding on the issue is to duty of care should be reversed and the appeal allowed. Lord Justice Nourse and Sir Patrick Russell agreed. Solicitors: Wedlake Bell; Rich-

The judge had found the bank liable because, not having given a disclaimer, it had assumed a duty of care to the plaintiff and had broken that duty in confirming the identity of the person with whom it was dealing as Mr Al Mutawa.

But that reasoning assumed that it was necessary to obtain from the second solicitors an undertaking before the lien survived at all. That was clearly contrary to the way the Court of Appeal decided Caldwell r Sumpters (1972) 1 Ch 478).
The decided cases would indicate that the practice of solicitors

who had been dismissed by their clients but whose fees had not been

Regina v Ciarke (Terry)

in sentencing an offender for possession of a firearm without a

certificate it was no longer appropriate to apply authorities arising before the Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994.

The Court of Appeal (Lord

Justice Stuart-Smith, Mr Justice Mantell and Mr Justice Moses) so

stated on October 3 in dismissing

an appeal by Terry Clarke against

# Copies were supplied in breach of undertaking

our account" or "to hold to our

order" was well established.

Recause the present case was the

first of its kind his Lordship would

conclude that it was a practice which had led to little difficulty in

He would allow the appeal and

hold that in copying every docu-

ment in every like and sending copies of all those documents to the

client, the second solicitors were in

In making that finding he made

it clear that he did not wish to east

any doubt on the good faith or integrity of Mr Gaisford, whom he

was sure held the view contained

in his affidavit and acted as he did in the belief that he was properly

discharging his duty to his client and acting in a way which was not

breach of the first solicitors' lien

However in his Lordship's jude-

ment, this was one of those rare

cases where it was inappropriate to order any relief. The client now

had the necessary papers and documents relating to the arbitra-

tion, albeit that they were copies of

the documents which were orig-

be pointless to order the second

solicitors to deliver up the copies

that they had of those documents.

to order that the second solicitors

using such papers or documents in

was appropriate to order compensation. The principles

upon which the courts would order

a solicitor to pay compensation for

Simple breach of the undertak-

Consequently his Lordship would allow the appeal, reverse the finding of the court below that

the defendants were not in breach

of the plaintiffs' ilen, make a

declaration to that effect and

discharge the orders dismissing

the plaintiffs' application and the

the defendants' costs of the

proceedings in that court, but he

would, exercising this court's dis-

cretion, decline to grant any of the

LORD JUSTICE HENRY.

concurring, said that the sub-

mission made, in the fifth decade

of the photocopier, that when one

accepted documents subject to a

one could in all circumstances

immediately copy all documents so

covered to the client was one be

had never met in practice, and

which had no authority behind it.

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Were it not a novel suggestion.

relief sought by the plaintiffs.

Neither was it a case in which it

the arbitration.

ing by a solicitor.

In those circumstances it would

breach of the first solicitors' lien.

the real world.

Bentley and Another v Gaisford and Anomer Before Sir Richard Scott, Vice-Chancellor, Lord Justice Roch and Lord Justice Henry

[Judgment October 21]

A solicitor who gave an undertaking to hold documents to the account or to the order of another firm of solicions in the interest of preserving that firm's retaining ien for a client's unpaid fees, wa in breach of the undertaking if he photocopied the documents and sent the copies to the client.

The Court of Appeal so held in a reserved judgment allowing the appeal of Keith Anthony Charles Bendey, a solicitor, and Hewen & Co. a firm of solicitors, against the order of Judge William Crawlord. QC, sitting as a High Court judge on March 12, 1996 whereby he dismissed the plaintiffs applica-tion. The defendants, Robert Edmund Gaisford, a solicitor, and Sinclair, Roche & Temperley, a dents to the appeal.

Mr John Cherryman, QC and Mr David Bailey for the plaintiffs; Mr Peter Gross, QC and Mr David Allen for the defendants.

LORD JUSTICE ROCH said that the plaintiffs acted as solicitors for a client in Beijing who terminated their retainer arbitration and instructed them to send all relevant documents to the defendants another firm of soliotors. The first solicitors made the uments available to the second solicitors on the latter's undertakour order in respect of outstand-

ing fees/disbursements". Mr Gaisford, the partner in the second solicitors dealing with the matter, as a result of concerns which were subsequently acknowledged by Mr Bentley, the partner ing with the matter in the first solicitors, to be both genuine and reasonable, photocopied the entire ile and sent copies to the clients in

Thus, the value of the first solicitors' retaining lien for unpaid fees and disbursements of some £14,000 was rendered worthless as he clients ceased to have any need for the original documents which were returned to the first solicitors.

The first solicitors now sought orders that the second solicitors deliver up the documents and any photocopies taken of them, that they be restrained from using any for the purposes of the arbitration. and financial compensation fo breach of their undertaking to hold the papers to the first solicitors'

The judge below refused them any relief. He held that in taking the photocopies and sending them to the client, the second solicitors had not breached their

In order to obtain wider protection the first solicitors should not have relied on the words "hold to our account" but should have required undertakings not to copy the documents for any purpos other than the preparation of a defence and counterclaim and not to supply their clients with any

with the point, and/or that retaining liens would in practice be hedged about with "no copying" qualifications, and/or would he become obsolete. Neither of those things had happened. Any solicitor seeking to preserve

fees, but public spiritedly not wishing to cause unnecessary difficulties for his client in the litigation, notwithstanding the

Firearms offence sentences

imposed by Judge Petre at Chelms-ford Crown Court on May 24, 1996,

firearm without a certificate. He

had also pleaded guilty to possess

ing a firearm when prohibited and

possessing a class B drug for

which concurrent prison terms of

two years and three months

MR JUSTICE MOSES said that

crively were imposed.

on a plea of guilty to pos

being copied to the client, and would provide accordingly if the lien did not already give him that

THE VICE-CHANCELLOR, dissenting, said that in making copies of the documents and sending the copies to the client he acted in good faith in pursuance of his dury to his client; in so doing he was using the documents for a purpose connected with the arbitration. He agreed with the judge below that Mr Gaisford was

not in breach of his undertaking. Even if, contrary to the views he of the documents was a breach of the second solicitors' undertaking to hold the documents to the first solicitors' order, he would not order for compensation ought to be

It was accepted that Mr Gaisford acted in good faith and in pursuance of what he regarded as his duty to his client. If he was, unwittingly, in breach of the undertaking, his breach was brought about by the failure of the first solicitors, in seeking the undertaking, to be explicit as to what Mr Gaisford could and could not do with the documents. In could not be regarded as inexcus-

He would dismiss the appeal. He was therefore in agreement with Lord Justice Roch and Lord Justice Henry that no substantive order in favour of the plaintiffs

should be made. His Lordship, however, desired where, as here, an appeal had failed to achieve any of the subout in Udall v Capri Lighting Ltd (in Liquidation) (1988) 1 QB 907, 916-918) by the Court of Appeal. stantive relief for which it was brought, an order that the appeal wed was a misrepresenta-

ing was not sufficient to lead to an tion of the result. award of compensation under the summary jurisdiction of the courts if the purpose of such an order was to serve as a vehicle for an to deal with breaches of undertakorder for costs in favour of the Compensation was only availunsuccessful, party, it was an unnecessary device. The court had able where the conduct of the solicitor was inexcusable and such in any event a full discretion in as to merit reproof. That was not the case with Mr Gaisford's

respect of costs. The question whether an order of the court should express an dismissed should, in his opinion. depend upon whether the appellant had or had not succeeded in obtaining on appeal some sub-stantive relief not obtained below or in obtaining the discharge of some substantive relief granted below. The result of the appeal was that neither of those thing had

been obtained in Lake v Lake (1955) P 336) it was held by the Court of Appeal that appeals lay against orders made, not against the reasons given for the making of the orders. That principle had, so far as he set also Note 59/1/6 to Order 59 at p923 in The Supreme Court Prac-

Since an appeal could not be brought against reasons but only against the order made, it seemed to follow that an appeal which failed to achieve any alteration in the order was an appeal which had failed notwithstanding that the appellant might have succeeded in dermining the reasons given by

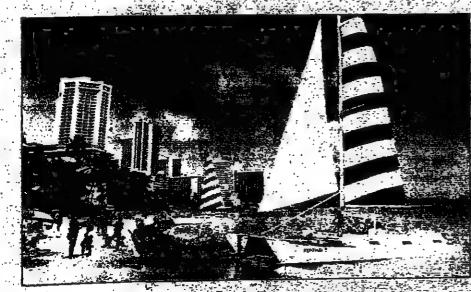
the trial judge.
In his opinion, the concurring judgments of Lord Justice Roch and Lord Justice Henry on this appeal ought to lead to an order that the appeal be dismissed. The order to be made, however, had to be the order they had prescribed. The appeal would be allowed.

Solicitors: Hewett & Co; Sinclair,

of Mr Alan Tyrrell, QC, sitting as a was an alleged negligent this-

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Regina v Condron (William) Regina v Condron (Karen) Before Lord Justice Stuart-Smith.

Judgment October 17

The essential points recommended in  $R \times Coman$  (1996) QB 373) to be included in a judge's direction to the jury as no what inferences they could reasonably draw from the accused's failure to give evidence dso applied where a jury was being reminded of the circumstances in which a proper inference might be drawn where the accused had failed to answer questions when interviewed.

The Court of Appeal, Criminal Division, so stated in a reserved judgment dismissing appeals by William Condron and Karen Condition against their convictions in November 1995 at Kingston upon Thames Crown Court (Judge Thomas and a jury) of being concerned in supplying a con-trolled Class A drug, diamorphine, to another and of possessing a controlled Class A drug with intent to supply to another for which William Condron was sentenced to four years imprisonment and Karen Condron to three years imprisonment on each count coccinent.

Mr Amony Shaw QC, who did not appear below, assigned by the Registrar of Criminal Appeals, for the appellant; Mr Edmund below, and Mr Mark Seymour for

LORD JUSTICE STUART-SMITH, delivering the judgment of the court, said that after

ervation of the appellants' flat over a period of four days police officers entered, searched and photographed and the appellants

At the police station their solicitor, who considered that they were unfit to be interviewed owing to their drug withdrawal symptoms. advised them not to answer questions. However, the force medical examiner considered them fit for

interview.

Neither made any comment to the questions put to them about incidents recorded in the police observation. At the trial the appellants gave evidence, each admitting to being a heroin addict but denying that heroin was ever supplied in the way or for the purpose alleged by the prosecution

They were cross-examined on their failure to mention certain important aspects of their defence at interview. The reason they gave for not doing so was the advice of In summing up the judge di-

rected the jury that it was a matter for them to decide whether any adverse inference should be drawn against the appellants from their failure to me tion certain lacts at interview. On appeal, Mr Shaw criticised

that direction in that, although it closely followed the current specithen direction suggested by the hudicial Studies Board, it did not go far enough. Mr Shaw relied on a dictum of

Lord Diplock in Kwan Ping Bong v The Queen [1979] AC 609, 615G) and the judgment of the Court of

Chief Justice, had highlighted certain essentials for a direction as to what inferences the jury could reasonably draw from the defen-

Order Act 1994. Their Lordships considered that it was desirable that a direction on the same lines should be given in relation to section 34 where an accused had failed to answer questions when interviewed.

Nevertheless, there was substantial, almost overwhelming evidence of drug supply by the appellants and there was accordingly nothing unsale in their

Both counsel invited the court to give some guidance as to the rocedure to be adopted if a challenge was to be mounted to the admissibility of a "no-comment" interview or submissions made as to the drawing of adverse inferences and also on the question of legal professional privilege, if the defendant asserted, as the appellants did in this case, that they had refused to answer on their

Their Lordships did not wish to lay down a hard and fast procedure since each case depended on its own particular facts. If and when the accused gave

licitor's advice.

evidence and mentioned facts which, in the view of prosecuting counsel, he could reasonably have been expected to mention in interview, he could be asked why he did not mention them.

The accused's attention would then no doubt be drawn to any been too low in the past.

sentences for firearms offences had

Taking that into account, together with the words of Sir Tasket Watkins in R v Ecclestone (0995) In Cr App R (S) 9, (I) to the effect that the time had come for the authorities to be reviewed, it was their Lordships' opinion that previous cases were no longer to be considered as apt guidance as to what was an appropriate sentence in

#### it was quite clear that Parliament in the 1994 Act took the view that When accused fails to answer questions

asked at interview and his explanations for his failure could be tested in cross-examination. submit that the judge should not dant's failure to give evidence, a invite the jury to consider drawing matter dealt with under section 35 adverse inferences, in the ordinary of the Criminal Justice and Public

> the conclusion of the evidence. If the accused gave as a reason for not answering questions that he had been advised by his solicitor not to do so, that advice did not, in their Lordships' judgment amount to a waiver

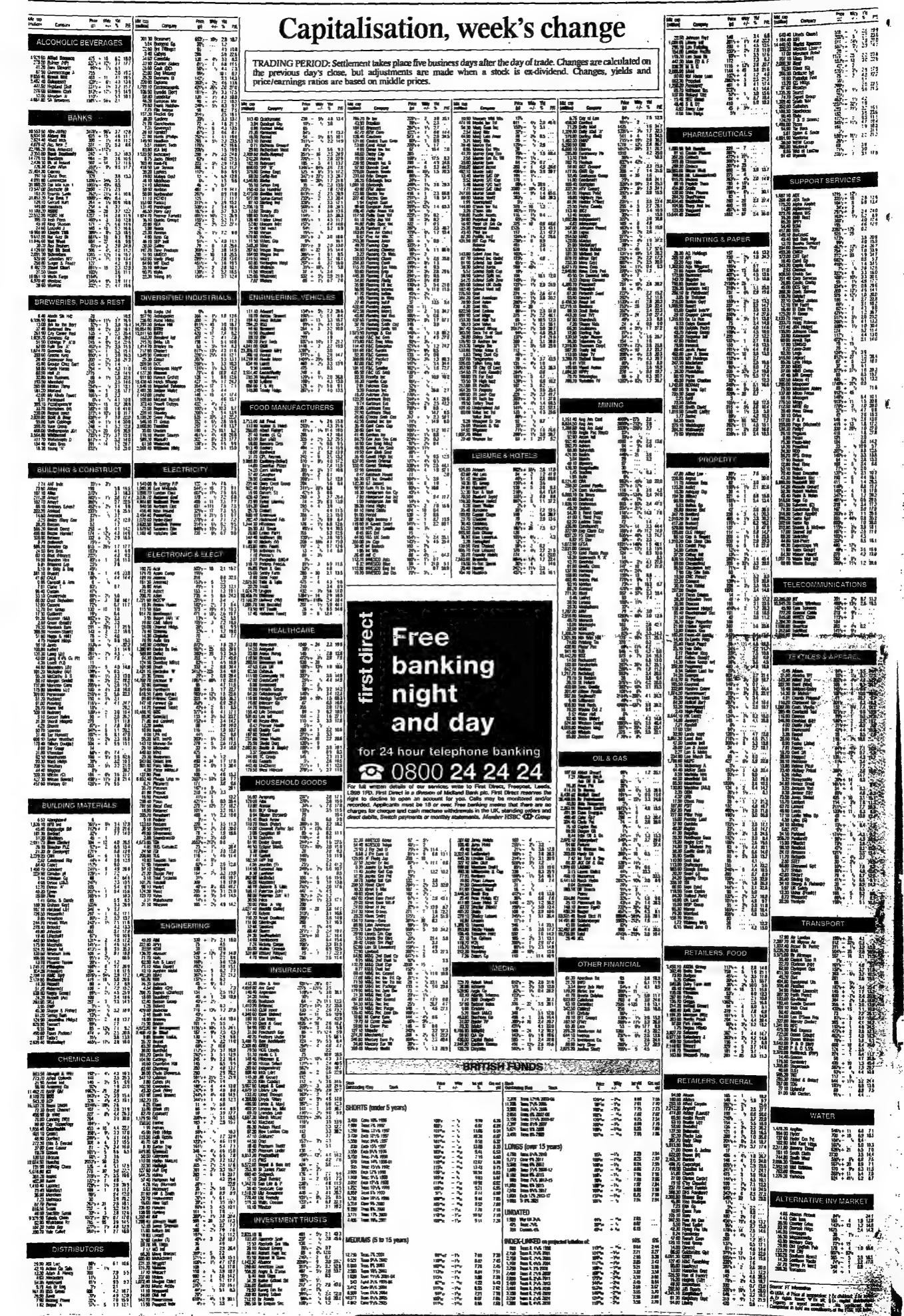
way that submission should be

privilege. But equally that bare assertion was unlikely by itself to be regarded as a sufficient reason for not mentioning matters relevant to

the defence. So it would be necessary, if the accused wished to invite the court not to draw an adverse inference to go further and state the basis or reason for the advice.

Although the matter was not fully argued, it seemed to their Lordships that once that was done ir might well amount to a waiver of privilege, so that the accused, or if his solicitor was also called, the colicitor, could be asked whether there were any other reasons for the advice and the nature of the advice given, so as to explore whether the advice might also have been given for tactical

It was probably desirable that the judge should warn counsel, or the accused that the privilege might be taken to have been dence of the nature of the advice.





MICHAEL CLARK

Interims: Blacks Leisure, Capital Gearing Trust, London & Overseas Freighters, Shoprite Group, Telewest Communications ications Cable (Q3), UMECO. Finals: Associated British Economic statistics: UK provisional M0 figures for October,

TODAY

UK September housing starts and completions, US September construction spending, September industrial output for

#### TOMORROW

Interims: Anglian Water, Brit-ish Airways, British Petroleum (C3), Dairy Crest Group, Marks & Spencer, Mercury Asset Management, National Grid, Powerscreen International,

Finals: Bellway, Carlton Com-munications, Frederick Coo-per, Creston Land & Estates, Lowland Investment Company, Stratagem.

Economic statistics: UK September industrial and manufacturing output, US presidential election, US September housing completions, Bundesbank calls for repos.

#### WEDNESDAY Interims: Charles Stanley

Group, Johnson Group Clean-ers, Luminar, Westbury. Finals: MMT Computing, Northern Venture Trust, UPF

Group. Economic statistics: UK October car registrations, UK Bank of England Inflation Report, Bundesbank awards repos.

#### THURSDAY

Interims: Boots, Cullen's Holdings. Hambro Insurance. Raymond Industrial, Somic, Staveley Industries, Warner Howard, Yates Brothers Wine Lodges.

Finals: J Bibby, Burton Group, Kwik Save Group, J Smart & Co (Contractors).

Economic statistics; Cornederation of British Industry distributive trades survey for October, US weekly jobless claims, US non-farm productivity (Q3), US September consumer credit, Bundesbank

#### FRIDAY

Interims: English National Investment, Skandia In-surance, Unilever (Q3). Finals: None scheduled.

# M&S aims to be top of the shops

MARKS & SPENCER: The jewel in the high street crown, as it is often described, aims to be the first to shine tomorrow in a week that sees several top retailers displaying their wares. The City is hoping for positive news from the group at the half-way stage, since the figures will be accompanied by a presentation for brokers, for the first time at this stage of proceedings.

The improvement in consumer confidence during the past year should be reflected in pre-tax profits growing from £387.1 mil-lion to between £443 million and £460 million. Earnings per share are expected to have grown by between 15 and 20 per cent, to about 11p. Sales during the first quarter were almost 9 per cent ahead, with M&S probably raising its share of the market.

Financial services are expected to show a solid improvement, and the performance of overseas stores is also expected to be better. Shareholders should be rewarded with a 'p increase in the dividend to 3.5p.

BURTON GROUP: There should be a similar message from Burton Group, whose chief executive is John Hoerner, when it reports full-year figures on Thursday. The estimate for pretax profits ranges from £145 million to £150 million, compared with £93.1 million last time.

A trading statement in July indicated sales growth of more than 10 per cent, with gross margins up by about 2 percent-age points. Little is likely to have happened to spoil that picture.

Earnings should be up by 50 per cent, to 7.7p a share, although expansion plans, which include acquisitions, may serve to slow overall progress. Margins have continued to improve throughout the year. A ap rise in the net dividend to 2.7p is forecast.

BOOTS: The prospect of an end to price controls on over-thecounter drug sales has overshadowed the group in recent weeks, but should do nothing to detract from a bumper set of half-year figures on Thursday. These are expected to reveal pre-tax profits of between £230 million and £235



John Hoerner, chief executive, is expected to report positive full-year results for Burton Group

million, compared with E217.9 million last time.

First-quarter sales at its chemist shops were 6.6 per cent higher on the back of a strong performance by own-label goods. The improved housing market will have been good news for the company's Do It All and AG Stanley stores. However, the buyback of 51.36 million shares at 580p will have held back profits, as will the absorption of 100 per cent of the Do It All losses.

**BRITISH PETROLEUM: The** strength of crude oil prices on

world markets should be fully reflected in third-quarter figures tomorrow, with net income up from £596 million to between £630 million and £636 million. This boost to unstream activities ahould more than compensate for any decline downstream, such as refining and chemical production. Nevertheless, earnings are unlikely to show the sort of growth achieved in the second quarter because of a squeeze on refining margins caused by the rapid rise in the price of oil and the lag in realising higher prices for Alas-kan oil production.

UNILEVER: Growing one-off charges are expected to take the gloss off third-quarter performance when the Anglo-Dutch group reports on Friday. Pre-tax profits up from £786 million to between £804 million and £820 million are forecast after an increase in "exceptional" charges of £33 million to £50 million, reflecting the acquisition of Diversy. Earnings should have kept pace, with a rise of 2 per cent to 26.Sp per share.

ANGLIAN WATER: Half-year figures tomorrow are unlikely to the payout to 4.45p per share.

from Thames. Pre-tax profits are expected to be up about E4 million at £130 million, although some brokers forecast a slight downturn. As with all water companies, interest will be focused on the dividend, which

should be up by about 18 per cent,

at 10.5p net. The figures will have

been bolstered by an increase in

new connections, but held back

by the cost of financing last year's

share buyback. ABF: Brokers will be looking for evidence of a slowdown when Associated British Foods publishes full-year figures this morning. Brokers are looking for an 11 per cent increase in pre-tax profits to about £415 million, with earnings growing 3 per cent, to 30p per share. Retail operations in Britain and Ireland will provide the main boost to profits, with British Sugar suffering from a rundown in stocks of sugar. Once again. the figure will be boosted by returns on cash, which are

WHITBREAD: Half-year figures tomorrow will be bolstered by recent acquisitions, including David Lloyd and Marriott, the hotel chain. Pre-tax profit esti-mates range from £170 million to £173 million, compared with £156 million last time. The contribution from the new acquisitions is expected to be about £17 million. helping to offset any slowdown on the restaurant and leisure side after last year's strong growth.

thought to have risen from £601 million to £735 million.

Profits from brewing and pubs are expected to be up on last year in spite of continuing competition from duty-free "booze cruises". The net payout is likely to grow by 8 per cent, to 6.20.

NATIONAL GRID: Interim figures out tomorrow will be the first since the group accepted the tough pricing policy of RPI minus 4 per cent proposed by the regulator after the company's stock market debut. Pre-tax profits are expected to be up from £278.9 million to £304 million. with the group having already forecast a 9 per cent increase in

#### ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

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#### Inflation in the spotlight

the Bank of England's quarterly
Inflation Report will come under careful scrutiny when it is published on Wednesday, as the City hunts for any evidence that the Bank wants further base rate increases. Economists are divided on whether the Bank believes last week's quarter-point rise is sufficient tightening. However, combined with the recent rise in sterling, the Chancellor's move may have done just enough to case the Bank's pressure for rate increases.

The September figures for industrial production and manufacturing output, to be published on Tuesday, are the most important domestic statistics. Friday's increase in the purchasing managers index backed evidence from other data, such as the CBI quarterly industrial trends survey, which have shown output picking up in recent months. MMS International expects this to be reflected in the official figures, after the output fall in August, with manufacturing output expected to show a 0.7 per cent monthly increase. taking annual growth to 0.4 per cent.

The CBI distributive trades survey, to be released on Wednesday, is likely to show continued growth in consumer spending. Figures for M0, the measure of narrow money supply, will be published today. MMS predicts a rise in the annual rate from 7 per cent to 7.3 per cent for October.

The US scene will be dominated by tomorrow's elections, with the markets' biggest concern being the Federal Reserve Bank's reaction if the Democrats win back Congress. Analysts predict that the Fed could quickly raise rates if it believes the Democrats are about to loosen fiscal policy. In Germany, the Bundesbank Council is to meet on Thursday, but policy changes are not expected. On Monday, German manufacturing output figures for September are expected to show strong growth of 0.3 per cent. However, an expected rise in the jobless figures should ease worries on inflation.

ALASDAIR MURRAY

#### SUNDAY TIPS

The Sunday Times: Buy British Aerospace. Mayflower, Gearhouse; Hold Creston Land. The Observer. Sell Stakis. The Sunday Telegraph: Buy Chemring: Sell J Sainsbury, British Biotech. The Mail on Sunday: Buy Alea: Sell Verity, Bellway. The Express: Buy DCS Group, Parity. Independent on Sunday: Buy Farepak: Hold Unilever. Sunday Business: Buy British Petroleum; Sell Boots.



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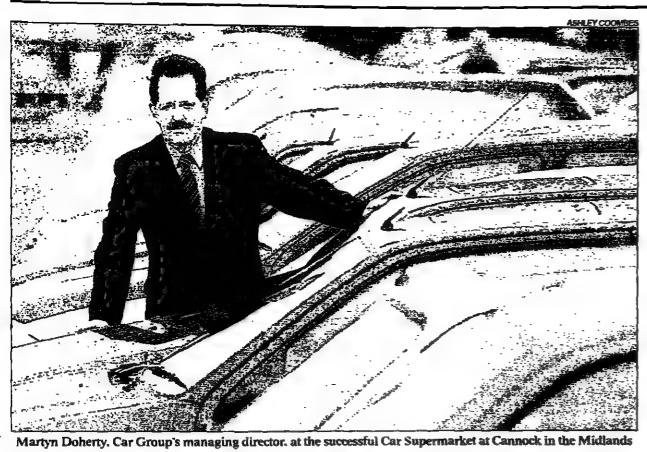
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# Car Group float heralds 'supermarket' expansion

A MOTOR dealer floating on the stock market next month aims to revolutionise the buying of cars by investing up to £250 million in building a chain of a dozen car supermar-

The Car Group is due to announce its flotation this week, raising £15 million of new money and valuing the group, which was a £23 million management buy-in backed by NatWest Ventures

just eight months ago, at £40

With the float Car, where Martyn Doherty is managing director, will announce ambitious plans to expand its car supermarket concept, which it currently runs from a six-acre site at Cannock in the Midlands.

The current supermarket sells nearly 20,000 cars a year. with about 1,000 on display. In the year to August its operat-ing profit was £5.3 million, compared with £4.5 million. The supermarket sells only second-hand cars and special ises in low mileage cars, which it largely buys at auctions or from fleet owners such as

rental companies. Peter King, who joined as chief executive this year having been one of the founders of Proton Cars (UK), says the plan is to open 11 new sites over the next four years.

These will be spread over ten acres, have 2,000 cars on

display and will cost between £20 million and £25 million each to build and stock. In addition, Car is expanding its Cannock supermarket by another eight acres. The company has already signed up for a site near Northampton and has received planning consent. Four other sites have already been identified in South Wales, Greater Man-

Mr King says Car hopes to spread its range of vehicles on offer to eventually include new cars. "New car manufacturers will want to ally themselves with dealers who have proven they can move metal, and we will show them that we can do

chester, near the M62 in

Yorkshire, and the outskirts of

that," said Mr King. The car supermarket con-cept, if successful, is expected to revolutionise car buying in the UK. Customers are not offered any discounts on the prices quoted, which have an inbuilt sales margin which is lower than at most motor

turers are moving towards largrecently announcing that they are cutting back on dealers.

#### ITN fights pensions ruling

ITN has launched a legal challenge to a decision by the Pensions Ombudsman to uphold a claim by one of its former employees for guar-

If ITN fails in its attempt to overturn the decision, then many more of its employees may claim improved The year-long dispute be-

tween ITN and Peter Ward, one of its retired employees.

**LEGAL NOTICES** 

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sion should be increased by 4

ITN and the trustees of its pension scheme disputed that the scheme's rules made any such guarantee, while Mr Ward claimed that documentation concerning the pension

per cent a year.

were guaranteed. The Pensions Ombudsman decided that Mr Ward had a right to increases based on the portion of his pension accrued

guilty of maladministration causing injustice in the form of disappointment and distress in misleading the complainant by indicating that all pensions in payment would be insuggested that these increases creased by 4 per cent per annum.

Other employees are believed to have complained to the ombudsman about the matter. These complaints are being investigated as well.

**PUBLIC NOTICES** 

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ees and the company were

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The action of the verb to jobe or rebuke, a rebuke or reproof, perially one of a lengthy and tedious character. A talking-to or cture. Dialectically usually pronounced jawhation, as though it me from jaw, jawing. "Fathers deliver a didactic harangue, tich the recipient terms a johation."

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# . Steel unions in US-style drive for recognition

By PHILIP BASSEIT, INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

LEADERS of Britain's steelworkers will today unveil a new, American-style campaign to persuade private steel companies to recognize trade anions in advance of the possible election of a Labour

Steel unions will use some American techniques for the first time in Britain. They will also draw on successful cam-

### Open skies deal back on table

By KEITH RODGERS

THE UK and US Governments resume talks in Washington on Wednesday over an "open skies" agreement. The liberalisation issue, reopened at America's request, is a key element of plans by British Airways to form an alliance with American Airlines.

Ian Lang, President of the Board of Trade, has been considering for a month an Office of Fair Trading report on whether the alliance should be referred to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission. It also faces investigation in the US, where USAir. BA's associate, has been fighting the rival link. BA is trying to avoid losing slots at Heathrow and could axe outlying

domestic routes if forced to do so. Last month the European Commission inlegalise trade in airport take-off and landing slots. BA announces its interim

profits tomorrow, with analysts forecasting pre-tax profits of up to £475 million (£430 million) for the first half. The dividend is exto 4.24p per share.

GRAHAM MELMOTH, who

GRAHAM MELMOTH, who today takes over as head of CWS. Europe's biggest Cooperative retailer, plans to relaunch talks aimed at a merger with the Co-operative Retail Society (CRS), its biggest rival within the British

The last efforts to bring the two sides together broke down in 1994. Mr Melmoth, 58, who

has worked for CWS for 21 years, said: "If anyone can bring CWS and CRS together

it is me." But he cautioned that

it is something that "is likely to

happen in the medium rather

Once Britain's leading food Petailers, the Co-ops have been overtaken by J Sainsbury.

Tesco, Saleway and Asda and

have lost market share to

discount supermarket chains. Many Co-ops are now found

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paigns by UK trade unions to persuade British companies to introduce European-style works councils, in spite of the Government's opt-out from the European social chapter.

Leaders of the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation (ISTC) and the AEEU engineering union will today open their campaign when they unveil huge billboard posters directly outside a steel company which has derecognised

American unions have successfully used such direct methods over the past two or three years in the US, but the move at Co-Steel in Sheerness in Kent today is believed to be the first time such forms of socalled corporate campaigning have been used in the UK. aimed at "shaming" the company into changing its policy.

In their new campaign, the unions will argue explicitly that companies will be com-pelled by a new Labour Government to recognise a trade union where there is majority workforce support — so they should accept that, recognise unions now and work in partnership with them. The unions are linking the move directly to the campaign on

works councils. As well as Co-Steel, the unions' first targets will be Johnson Matthey in north London, followed by Albion Press Metals, part of the German Thyssen group. US unions will join today's campaign, and the steel unions are seeking help from the giant IG Metall German union over Albion.

Keith Brookman, ISTC general secretary, thinks the time is now ripe for the union's nationwide initiative. He says: Employers know the day is coming when they will no longer be able to deny unions recognition. Employees realise more than ever that they need the strength of a union around them. Public percep-

New CWS chief plans

merger talks with rival

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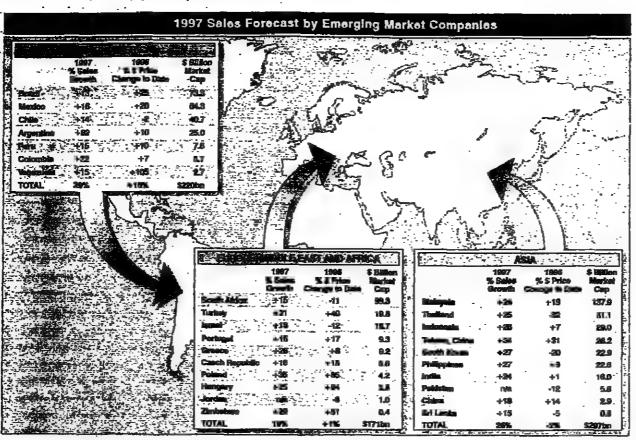
towns and villages. They re-main strong in Scotland and

CWS owns 700 food shops.

and, through buying and mar-keting agreements, effectively controls nearly two thirds of

Northern Ireland.

Graham Melmoth says he can unite the two Co-op groups



## Gossip 'drives new markets'

BY MARTIN WALLER

THE biggest survey yet of emerging stock markets around the world confirms what many have long suspected - that new markets are driven more by speculation. rumour and gossip than by research and fundamentals.

However, the study, to be published tomorrow and based on the views of commanies making up more than half the world's emerging markets, does suggest in which areas potential growth has yet to be recognised by the local exchange. Tempest, a City management consultancy to the secu-

rities industry, sought

opinions on the best stockbro-

HOUSEHOLDERS in Uzbek-

kers and fund managers from 276 companies, which between them make up 52 per cent of the \$688 billion at which global emerging markets are capitalised. Tempest also sought the

fund managers' views on local brokers and on the companies themselves. Stephen Parker, a director of Tempest, said that fund managers investing in emerging markets fell into two camps, those taking a spread of investments almost at random and those trying to research qualitative data about individual companies.

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Ten-year wait for a phone

BY CLARE STEWART

massive knowledge problem," he said. "It's all about company contact — if you don't have that, you just don't understand what's going on."

Tempest tracked the movements last year on the markets throughout the world and asked the companies in them what they expected their turnover growth to be this year. Some countries showed a sharp mismatch. In some local markets had lagged behind even though in the future was expected to be explosive.

The map shows that in popular with fund managers seeking growth markets --share prices outperformed significantly last year. By contrast, in Chile and Colombia, and in Indonesia, India and the Philippines, potential growth expected by local industry has not been matched

by rises on local exchanges. Tempest spoke to fund managers controlling more than half the estimated \$135 billion of emerging markets' capitalis-ation that is "free float" money, not locked away in govern-ment, family or friendly bank ownership. The survey found a lack of reliable and meaningful data available - Mr Parker's "knowledge problem" — which left share prices to be driven by stories and speculation rather than by fundamentals.

"Everything is so dis-persed," Mr Parker said. "How do you cut your way through? What we have identified in the survey is those who are particularly good at this.

"We're used to near-perfect markets in the UK and the US. The rewards are enormous for somebody who can really understand the emerging markets. Poland and Hungary both grew by more than 80 per cent in 1996, for example. There are some fund management groups out there who have invested time and money

#### BUSINESS ROUNDUP

## Lloyd's syndicates 'to face crippling taxes'

LLOYD'S OF LONDON syndicates face crippling Inland Revenue bills as they start to make profits after years of heavy losses, it has been claimed. Corporate members of syndicates are required to pay corporation tax on profits they distribute to investors. Colin Czapiewski, a partner with Lane Clarke and Peacock, the consulting actuary, said that as profits improve, syndicates will come under pressure from the Revenue to pass on more of the profits. rather than keeping them in the reserves in case of future losses. He claims that as a consequence they will also have to nav more tax.

Mr Czapiewski said: "Hundreds of syndicates could be affected and the Revenue could net millions of pounds, depending on how good a year it has been for Lloyd's. They will be encouraged to run down the reserves to satisfy the Revenue. I do not believe it is fair for syndicates to be penalised for holding back profits in case of unforeseen losses in the future. That is a piece of sound business practice." A spokeswoman for the Inland Revenue said: "We cannot speculate on the level of corporation tax symmetrics will be liable for in semicircum." syndicates will be liable for in coming years."

#### Boom and bust of euro

BRITAIN'S entry into a European currency could cause a shortterm boom followed swiftly by a recession or a massive tax rise to avoid overheating, according to Oxford Economic Forecasting. The boom would be triggered by interest rates falling to continental levels, producing accelerating inflation and a loss of competitiveness that could not be relieved by devaluation. On Wednesday, the European Commission is expected to produce forecasts suggesting that key countries will, after all, qualify for the single currency in 1997 by meeting the Maastricht tests.

#### Britain lags behind

LEADING companies in The Netherlands and Germany are well ahead of their British counterparts in preparing for a European currency and have a more realistic idea of the cost, according to a survey for CMG, the computer software group. In a sample of 200, equally split, four out of five finance directors in the UK supported sterling's absorption, but fewer than one in ten thought this would involve big changes in their information technology, against more than half in Germany and The Netherlands.

#### Managers lack key skills

BRITAIN'S small business managers acknowledge today that they lack a range of key business skills. A report by the Institute of Management, representing 73,000 managers and 700 firms, produced with the University of Cambridge, shows that managers in small firms are aware that they lack important skills and need considerable training. Some 56 per cent of managers say they lack strategy and planning skills; 54 per cent lack skills in training, development, marketing and sales; and half say they have insufficient leadership skills.

#### Pay deals hold steady

PAY settlements are remaining level, with more than nine out of ten recent deals giving inflation-plus rises, according to a new analysis of wage deals by Incomes Data Services, the independent pay research company. In its latest report, IDS says that two thirds of all pay deals in the last four months have been between 3 per cent and 4 per cent, although IDS also casts doubt on ideas of growing labour market flexibility. suggesting that there is a great deal more stable, permanent ent in the economy than some studies sug

#### line and only 40 per cent of town-dwelling Albanians have a piped water supply, according to a new report by

istan face an average wait of ten years for a home telephone the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development. The EBRD's 1996 Transi-

tion Report finds that, seven years after the fall of the Berlin nist countries have made con- vances made over the past Eastern Europe and the CIS. panies themselves."

siderable progress in opening up trade and privatising small year by Romania, Albania and many parts of the CIS in privatising large enterprises.

In addition, countries such enterprises. However, Nichoas Estonia and the Czech Re-

las Stern, EBRD chief economist, says: "Some of the more difficult tasks ... such as public have begun to privatise enterprise restructuring, the rehabilitation and rebuilding Hungary is singled out for its progress in utility privatisation of infrastructure, and the building of strong financial and legal institutions, have a long way to go."

and in introducing 'private-sector finance in road-building. The EBRD notes weakness

major utilities and transport.

#### Vote of approval for share options

Executive share options are the best way to link boardroom rewards with company performance, a team of economists has concluded. Rejecting the Greenbury committee's clampdown on options, Brian Main,
Trevor Buck and Alistair
Bruce, writing in the latest
issue of the Economic Journal, argue that options should replace more of existing basic pay and bonuses. They say that many of the long-term incentive plans now being introduced with the blessing of the Greenbury report are more obscure than the share option plans they replace.

#### Tax relief plea

The Government's tax exemption for workplace nurseries has failed in its objective of improving childcare for work-ing parents, a labour market pressure group says today. The Campaign for Tax Relief and Childcare says that the tax exemption for workplace nurseries has led to no net increase in childcare provi-sion, and it calls on Kenneth Clarke, the Chancellor, to extend the exemption to all forms of employer-funded childcare, subject to a weekly limit of £42 per employee.

#### THE PUBLIC

the country's Co-ops. CRS

controls a further 20 per cent.

CWS also has interests in

funerals, milk processing and

distribution, travel, farming and garages. The Co-operative Bank and CIS insurance com-

pany are wholly owned subsidiaries.

Mr Melmoth, who replaces David Skinner, 65, who is retiring, said the board of CWS

was looking at possibilities of closer links between the two

financial services companies.

but said a full merger of the

bank and insurer was unlikely.

CHANGE ON WEEK

US dollar 1.6375 (+0.0337) German mark 2.4836 (+0.0397) Exchange index 90.9 (+1.7) Benk of England official close (4pm)

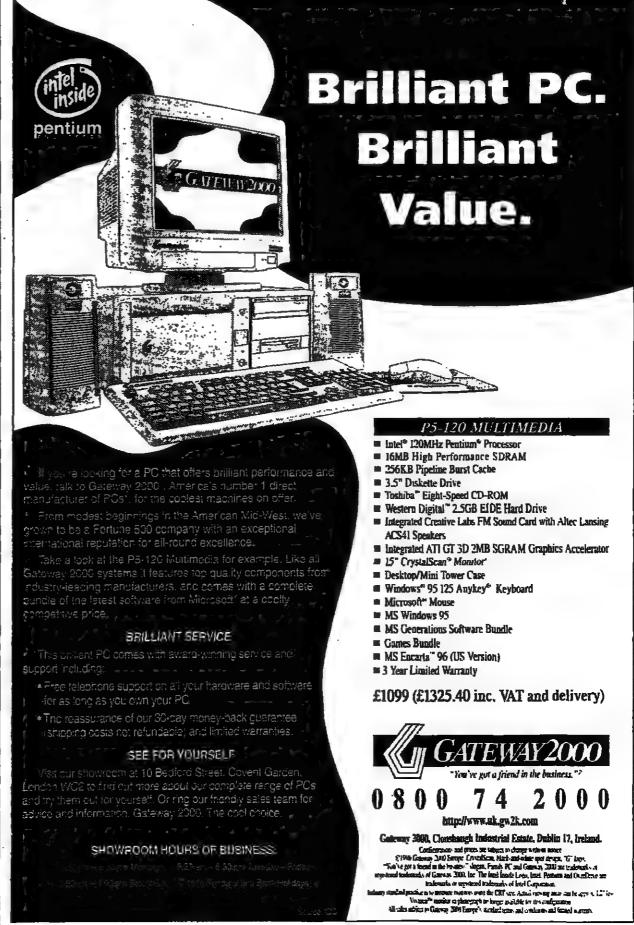
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Oxford Biomedica today publishes the pathfinder prospectus for its 15 million capitalraising and flotation on the Alternative Investment Market, due in a month's time. The gene therapy specialist has a licence agreement with Cancer Research Campaign Technology for access to anti-cancer gene therapies and technologies from research and has acquired six patent applica-tions from Oxford University.

Biomedica plan

#### London boost

London's economy should grow by 4.6 per cent this year, more than twice the expected rate for the UK as a whole. according to projections from the London Chamber of Commerce and Industry. Unemployment is forecast to fall below 10 per cent for the first



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#### Lyons' share for students

STUART LYONS has shown an unexpected poetic streak. The chairman and chief executive of Royal Doulton has translated into English all 103 of Horace's odes, now published by Staffordshire University Press, just down the road from Doulton. Lyons has included his own scholar-ly introduction and notes. The Fleeting Years: Odes of Horace from the Augustan Age of Rome is the first book from the Cambridge scholar. Lyons is donating the royalties to the disabled students' fund at Staffordshire University. That's why I am being a little less than generous in free issues." he says.

BELATED congratulations to the Body Shop, winners of the PR Week Best International Campaign Award. The Roddick team must be particularly pleased with itself as this award was sponsored by Shandwick, the PR house that looks after Shell, whose Nigerian activities have attracted so much Roddick ire.

#### Nick's knack

WH SMITH is playing Cupid in the love life of Only Fools and Horses actor Nicholas Lyndhurst. Since he starred in the company's latest TV advertisement, he has been hounded by adoring male fans, smitten by his character, teenager Sacha Smith, Bill Cockburn, chief executive of WH Smith, is delighted that viewers are swamping the actor with love

WORD has it that Helen Bowden, former presenter of Woman's Hour and editor of news/current affairs at BBC Radio North, is to step into a newly created role as head of BBC Business. Bowden will have both radio and TV

#### Silly aisles

GET OUT those pension books, put on those glad rags. and boogie on down to your local Asda. Today and Wednesday the supermarket chain is offering customers over the age of 60 a 10 per cent discount on their shopping bill. Between 9am and 1lam, a free cuppa and an old-fashioned knees-up will also be thrown in. Music of the Twenties and dance bands of the Forties will serenade customers down the aisles as they go dewy eyed over the tinned Spam and mushy peas.

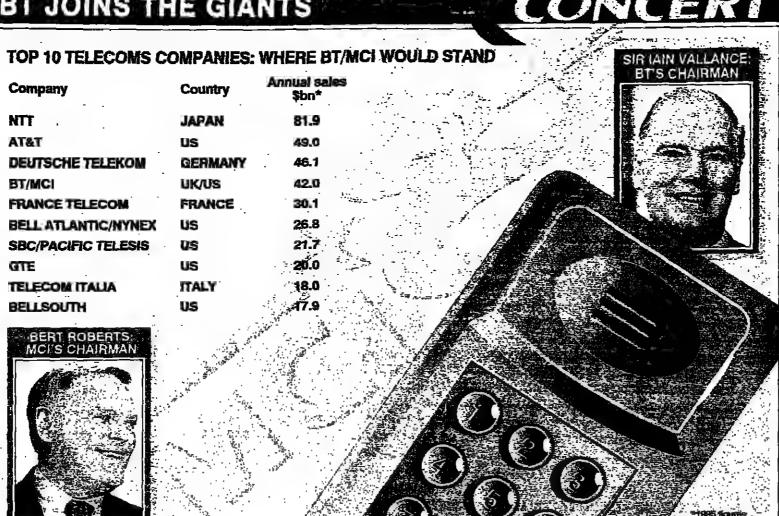
#### Team talk

THE Broomball League kicks off at Broadgate today, with more than 100 firms set to play about 1,000 matches. Teams, however, are also competing for the most outrageous name. Hot contenders include The Cash Cows (Lehman's), Suffuse With Talent (NatWest), Mad Kenny's All Night Bankers (SBC Warburg) and The Masterful Mental Maple Leaves (Royal Bank of Canada).

#### Bluff called

**EMPLOYEES at Winterflood** Securities watched in amazement as managing director Brian Winterflood's legendary tan turned an unnatural shade of red. While showing off his bear pit to a visiting company chairman, he was keen to point out a notice on a nearby desk: "If the phone rings twice. then this is a Mickey Mouse outfit." His guest chided him, so Winterflood suggested that he phone up one of his minions; it rang and rang, but was never answered. Furious, Winterflood stormed onto the trading floor in search of the culprit. "But you told us on no account to answer internal calls," called a sheepish voice.

### BT JOINS THE GIANTS



# BT takes a gamble on buccaneering MCI

British Telecom might end up locked in a price war with powerful competitors, says Carl Mortished

Telecom and MCI formally launched their merger proposinc, the company has a history of making strategic assaults on stodgy monopolies. From a al yesterday and the terms of the deal certainly make impressive reading. The talk tiny beginning bullding microfrom the two companies was wave towers linking American all about world leadership, a cities, the company ended up in an anti-trust court battle communications power house with AT&T that led in 1984 to and global reach; the largest the break up of Ma Bell into seven local Bells plus AT&T. ever transatiantic merger will

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you can bet that his real concerns

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BT dominates the UK tele-

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hegemony, MCI, however, rep-

resents much more than a link

with the second largest Ameri-

can long-distance service pro-

vider. It is a huge gamble on MCl's chance of taking over a large piece of the \$100 billion

BT's link with MCI has a

certain irony. Set up in 1968 as

local US phone market.

western Europe.

send analysts and commentators reaching for superlatives. Since then, the long-distance They might be better off market has become a priopoly asking questions about the of AT&T, still on top, with MCI telecoms market in Cleveland, and Sprint in second and third Ohio. Leicester in Britain, or position. But, this year, the US Hanover in Germany. It is phone market is again in there that the changes are turmoil with the passing of the occurring. Long-distance and Federal Telecommunications international telephone traffic Act. The measure permits longis a tradeable commodity, but distance operators to enter local markets and, under cerin many areas local phone services are still highly motain conditions, local players nopolistic. Deregulation of can sell long-distance services telecommunications is send-

and even overseas calls. The door is open for a freefor-all with the buccaneering MCI and Sprint attempting to muscle in on the 46 per cent gross margins available in the \$100 billion local market. Sir Iain Vallance, BT's chairman may now be enjoying a frisson of excitement at the thought of playing the pirate after years suffering in silence while Mercury and the American cable TV operators stole BT's busi-

ness in Britain. Yet, this could be an expensive venture and BT might end up locked in a price war with more powerful competitors than Mercury. The problem with local phone networks is that, unlike long-distance and international networks, they generally lack much spare capacity. Small long-distance service providers are able to make a profit buying capacity from the big three at discounts of up to 40 per cent.

But the Baby Bells will argue that limited local capacity does not justify cheap access to interlopers and therefore the long-distance companies will have to work hard in cutting costs if they are to make a profit from secondhand local network traffic.

The option of building a new network is excensive -- it would cost billions of dollars and could take three to four years to lay the foundations to reach a large market. There are other options: wireless telephony and alliances with

AT&T has an important advantage in the former with its \$12 billion acquisition of McCaw Cellular in 1994, while Sprint is believed to be focusing on cable. Major cities are served by a host of cable companies, which leaves a long-distance operator with no means of accessing the market except via the Baby Bell.

MCI is spending heavily on exchanges to build a local loop. It has invested \$1 billion to date, serving 13 cities, which will rise to 25 by the end of the vear. A further \$1 billion of investment will bring its local access to 40 cities next year. But Gerald Taylor, president and chief operating officer of MCl, reckons the benefits will be large from getting a finger in the local pie. He points out

that currently 46 cents in every dollar of revenue goes to the Bell operating companies. "Last year, the long-distance industry paid \$22 billion to the Bells which originated or ter-minated in their networks." But the Baby Bells are not crying. In April, Atlantic Bell

announced a \$22 billion merg-er with Nynex, creating Bell Atlantic, a pool of 26 million customers accounting for 30 per cent the country's wealth. Atlantic Bell will be keen to tap the long-distance potential of their customer base from which a third of America's overseas phone calls originate. Today there are still constraints on how far Baby Bells can develop long-distance traffic, but the intent of new US law is for competition to grow. That suggests a price war could be locoming on local and national traffic, one that would make BT's domestic headaches look trivial.

BT is not a stranger to all

this. The British company bankrolled MCI's ambitions as far back as 1994, then subscribing for 20 per cent of MCI's shares at a cost of \$4.2 billion and establishing a joint venture called Concert Communications Services. Since then, MCI has branched out into news media and entertainment, buying a stake in The News Corporation, the owner of The Times. Further investments by MCI include a \$1 billion investment in computing and communications technologies and a tie-up with Microsoft to develop Internet

services. Such investments are likely to continue or even accelerate; the battle for customers in the US market is focusing on how to offer a bundle of services to the phone users. Typically, the deal will be local and long-distance traffic, mobile phone and Internet access. Much the same will apply in Britain where BT at last faces crossthe-board competition from Mercury and three cable

companies. BT is obviously paying a premium to MCl although yesterday analysts were undecided how to value it exactly. MCI's earnings are growing at 12 per cent. Add to that costs savings and BT's rate of growth could double to 10 per cent while earnings dilution from the new shares should not be great. For BT, this deal would put a positive seal on a trying year that saw its planned merger with C&W scuppered. After that, the company saw its continental European ambitions effectively torn apart when RWE, its potential German partner, dejected to

For BT, it is a gamble, but it should know something about competing in local markets. Yet BT investors may wonder what MCI is risking in this deal. In return for loss of control, MCI investors receive almost a third more for their shares than the market price. but they also get BT's cash flow thrown in for free. That means promises of more dividend and share buybacks and backing for a huge investment in local telephony. That sounds like a good deal for MCI; whether it is good for BT will take years to prove, whatever its share price does today.

C&W.

## Bequests to the nation

The Heritage Quiz. Radio 4, 12.25pm.

I welcome the return of this good-natured testing ground of knowledge about our cultural heritage. The four contestants only occasionally sound self-indulgent. They are Christopher Cook. Philippa Gregory, Janet Surman and Martin Wainwright, and the chairperson is Sue MagGregor who is uncommonly generous with her helpful clues. She is uncommonly patient, too, allowing the players too much time to identify such national treasures as Warwick Castle which I got in five minutes flat. As well as questions about fictional pubs and book illustrators, there's a nostalgia corner. I share Cook's regret at not having been present at the world premiere in 1945 of Britten's Peter Grimes.

The Monday Play: Bleat. Radio 4. 7.45pm.

Brick by rough brick, reinforced with steel, whenever it shows signs of collapsing into crude melodrama, Graham White has constructed a play in which rural passions always threaten to erupt in violence and, ultimately, do precisely that. The setting is a farm. The characters: a bullying father (Donald Sumpter), two squabbling sons Philip Kingston, Martin Hancock) and the two women sucked into their turbulent lives (Matilda Ziegler, Emma Owen-Smith). On stage, the play was hailed as working-class naturalism in the Lawrentian mold. I wouldn't go that far, but the characters' veins are certainly bubbling with hot blood.

Peter Davalle

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6,30am Chris Evans 9,00 Simon Mayo 12,00 Lsa l'Anson with Simply Rad's Mick Hudmail 2,00 Nicky Campbell 4,00 Mark Goodier 7,00 Evening Sas-sion 10,00 Mark Raddiffe 12,00 Clare Sturgess, including at 12,15cm The Nat 4.00 Cive Warren, with the Early Breaklest Show, including Good Night/Good Morning

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(Three-Page Sonata);
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12.00 Composer of the Week:
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minor); Tekemitsu (A Bird
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10.00 Ensemble. Recital by the Medici Cruartet and oboist Sarah Francia, including the lirst broadcast of a recently

discovered early work by Elizabeth Maconchy Between the Ears. A wouldbe pop star finds an interner site about the 14th-century

12.30mm Jazz Notes 1.00mm Through the Night

7.20 The Food Programme (r) 7.45 The Monday Play: Bleat. See Choice 8.15 Irish Icona, The Irish pub.

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By Patricia Highsmith. A
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cashier was shot dead (r)
11.00 Education Matters (LW)
11.30 If You're So Clever Why
Aren't You Rich? (FM) By
Paul Shearer and Richard
Tumer. Persuaded that his life
lacks a clear mission.

lacks a clear mission statement Glies enters the treacherous waters of property development (r)
11.30 Today in Parliament (LW)
12.00 News incl 12.27am approx
Weather

12.30 The Late Book: First Church of the New Millennium, by Sryan Appleyard (6/10).

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#### Rate rise was a welcome stitch in time this pattern. It is a stitch in Sterling's surge will help to facing other European countime that will help to cap the GILT-EDGED cut inflation to the EU norm tries. Opinion polls suggest that Labour will win the

rise, markets have built in a big premium for UK interest rate risks over the next couple of years. Interest rate futures project that UK three-month rates will rise sharply next year and, from late 1997 onwards, will be the highest in the G7. The UK-German five-year spread is back to highs seen in the 1994 market debacle. Markets fear that the economy is repeating its historical tendency to volatile growth and interest rate

This risk premium is too high. The UK economy's volatility has declined significantly in recent years. Inflation has been low and stable base rates have oscillated around 6 per cent. The key to stability has been the authorities' willingness to hike rates earlier. MORAG PRESTON | Last week's move continues eventual rate ceiling, not a

Against a backdrop of low inflation, a rising pound and tight fiscal policy, rates of 6.5 or 6.75 per cent next year should be enough to slow growth and keep inflation low. As the risk premium at the short end slims, the ten-year gilt-bund spread should return to the low end of this year's 1.4 to 1.9 per cent range.

The economic backdrop does not suggest that UK rates need to rise much more sharply than the external norm. True, the UK economy is accelerating, but so are other European countries. Policy has been eased more sharply there over the past year. OECD leading indicators and business surveys have turned up across the Continent Manufacturing out-

put growth is stronger in Germany than in the UK. UK inflation prospects are similar to the G7 norm. Nominal GDP is growing at about the same rate as in the US, and below the 5 per cent rate that the Bank of England thinks consistent with the inflation target. The OECD and the IMF estimate the UK output gap at around 2 per cent, about the European average. Broad money growth in the UK and Germany has been similar in

the past year and, on average, over the past four. Underlying inflation is being boosted by the oil price spike and higher import costs after last year's drop in the pound, but these external shocks are past their worst. in 1997. The current account es little threat.

UK fiscal trends are also similar to the European norm. On baseline plans for public spending, a neutral Budget will imply fiscal tightening of 0.75 per cent of GDP next year, near the EU average. Next year's UK budget deficit should be similar as a share of GDP to France and Germany.

The idea that the rate hike will be offset by a L loose Budget looks wrong. Unsustainable tax-cutting would generate little political gain because voters would fear that, as in 1992, taxes will rise again after the election. I suspect the Budget will be

broadly neutral. Finally, the UK's political risks are no greater than those tent market pressure and a significant rise in the spread for short- and long-term rates against the EMU bloc, political pressure would grow for EMU entry or an independent Bank of England. MICHAEL SAUNDERS

election with a working major-

ity. A Labour government

probably would stay out of the

first wave of EMU. However.

policy will aim to hit the

convergence criteria to main-

tain the choice of joining

EMU in 2001 or 2002. Those

countries that join EMU at the

start will probably face doubts

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# Rhodes rage? No, but I'm glad it's finished time. Apart from Sean Blowers, 2

ccording to Horizon on Saturday night, television is dead, obsolete, kaput. It's a point of view that, for the moment, is still debatable but one more week of Rhodes (BBCI) and who knows? Thankfully, however, there are no more weeks of Rhodes. The colossus has landed.

"Turn me over, Jack," wheezed the terrible old bore (not to be confused with the terrible old Boers who by comparison were actually quite nice). Jack, one of the interminable number of young men who have made keeping up so difficult over the past eight weeks, did as he was told - whereupon Rhodes promptly expired. To my shame, I let out a little cheer.

What were his last words?" asked one of the neatly assembled crowd outside the seaside cottage. Dr Jameson had not got where he was today without knowing that "turn me over, Jack", was not exactly the stuff of history, so made sound, I realise, but oh so beauti- nobody's great surprise - we

something up. "So much to do, so ful. It made you want to get your little done." Thank goodness he duster out. never got the chance to finish the

The clever thing for a critic to do at this juncture would be to adopt ... the contrarian view and loudly acclaim Rhodes as a much misunderstood masterpiece. Believe me, I have thought about it but ... no. Any drama dependent on an incomprehensible Russian princess to explain the plot deserves everything it gets and what it gets from me is the view that Rhodes was a misconceived and ill-execut-

True, it did have one or two. saving graces. I have only to hear Alan Parker's music to be filled with a heartfelt desire to ford the Limpopo and some of the woodwork was magnificent - huge polished panels of African hardwoods that adorned so many of the interiors. Ecologically very un-

There are lessons to be learnt for the BBC, amid the wreckage of its Sunday night schedule. The first is that period drama works best when there are girls in it. Left to their own devices, boys only get themselves into trouble — starting wars, inventing apartheid, that sort of thing. The second is: never make a drama that requires the viewer to keep an out-of-date atlas and a history book by them to follow

what is going on.

And the third is that racism, and particularly British imperial racism, makes for very uncomfortable Sunday night viewing. It hap-pened, of course, but dressing it up as drama gave us the perfect opportunity to choose whether we cared to be reminded of the fact. In our millions - and surely to REVIEW



Matthew Bond

chose not to. "What have you done, Rhodes?" thundered Merriman, one of several characters destined to be prime minister, according to a rather curious postscript. Answer: made ITV very happy.

But not for long, according to the prophets of doom canvassed by producer Andrew Chitty for TV is Dead, Long Live TV (BBC2, Saturday), a Horizon special to mark the 60th anniversary of television.

the programme that would explain about digital, widescreen formats, high definition - and all those other technical things that people expect television critics to know about. But disappointingly (from a purely selfish point of view) it turned out to be about how television would be replaced by the Internet. It seems not only do we all want to be programme-makers. we all want to be critics (which from a purely selfish point of view was also disappointing). Chitty

Now call me a Luddite, call me a cornered beast, but I didn't believe a word of it. Clutching at straws? Well, perhaps - but I took heart from the writer of the first interactive soap opera who never read the e-mail he received from the show's fans. Might stifle his creativity, he thought. Then there were the two women making an

has seen the future and apparently

it's interactive.

I had rather hoped that this was interactive Internet version of Boswell and Johnson's Tour of the Isles. The main reason they took their feedback "quite seriously" was that they didn't get "an unmanageable amount". Good iob they weren't making an interactive version of Rhodes - they'd never have left Kimberley.

After about 45 minutes, the technical consensus that emerged was that if they could just speed up the snail-paced video images currently available on the Internet and perhaps cut back on a little of this interactivity, they might just have something. I could be wrong, but I think they had just reinvented television. Hurrah!

alf a hurrah, at least, for Staying Alive (ITV, Friday), which despite being yet another drama series about nurses, threatens to be one of the most adventurous drama series ITV has commissioned for some a wife and daughter-battering policeman, it has no stars and its style is not what we have come to expect from ITV, come 9 o'clock. It's like a slightly slowed down and rather dark version of ER - all panning cameras and tight edits. Terribly fashionable.

Despite being at the height of technical fashion, the producers chose the dated introduce your cast" option for episode one, rather than pursuing the current vogue for hitting the ground with subplots running. As such, it was a success, although I'm still a little vague on some of the finer points of family background. If this is a success, the BBC will be kicking itself for killing off the superior but not dissimilar Cardiac Arrest. Still, it's always got Casualty (BBC1), which marked the Saturday before Bonfire Night in traditional three-stranded manner. Bless 'em.

#### BBC1

6.00am BUSINESS BREAKFAST (12278) 7,00 BBC BREAKFAST NEWS (Ceefa) (43549) 9.00 BREAKFAST NEWS EXTRA (Ceefax) (8574839)

9.20 STYLE CHALLENGE (8) (1774348) 9.45 KILROY (8) (8226520) 10.30 CAN'T COOK, WON'T COOK (8) (12094) 11.00 NEWS (Ceefex) (2019433) 11.05 THE REALLY USEFUL, SHOW (8) (4637452) 11.45 SMILLIE'S PEOPLE (6) (6454704)

12.00 NEWS (Ceetax) (4370433) 12.05pm NEIGHBOURS: TENTH ANNIVERSARY SPECIAL (Ceefax) (s) (2097278) 12.56 THE WEATHER SHOW (51344926)

1.00 NEWS (Ceetex) and weather (48636) 1.30 REGIONAL NEWS (14639162)

1.40 NEIGHBOURS (Ceelax) (a) (24540162) 2.00 CALL MY BLUFF (s) (5839) 2.30 WHO'LL DO THE PUDDING? (s) (742) 3.00 INCOGNITO Quiz (s) (4345)

3.30 THE BUSY WORLD OF RICHARD SCARRY (a) (5397742) 3.55 BANANAMAN (r) (5115297) 4.00 BODGER AND BADGER (a) (8562891) 4.15 ACE VENTURA: PET DETECTIVE (Ceetax) (s) (5125029) 4.35 RECORD BREAKERS (Ceetax) (s) (1285907) 5.00 NEWSROUND (Ceetax) (6730617) 5.10 BLUE PETER (Ceetax) (s) (2852617)

5.35 NEIGHBOURS (r) (Ceefex) (e) (935362) 6.00 NEWS (Ceefax) and weather (471)

6.30 REGIONAL NEWS MAGAZINES (723) 7.00 TELLY ADDICTS Celebrating 60 years of BBC television (Ceetax) (s) (9655) 7.30 TOMORROW'S WORLD Includes a

report on a novel device to help party guests to find a competible person to talk io (Ceelex) (s) (907) 8.00 EASTENDERS Will Carol go to Spain with Alan? (Ceelas) (5) (5075)

8.30 VETS' SCHOOL .. During the Easter holidays Trudy Mostue forms part of the emergency skeleton staff at the school, emergency ske Steve Leonard expenence tile in local practices (Ceelas) (s)(7810)

9.00 NEWS (Ceefax), regional news and 9.30 PANORAMA Charting the events which

led to The Ridings school in Halifax being closed pending the arrival of a new head teacher (Ceefax) (s) (341297) 10.10 BILLY CONNOLLY'S WORLD TOUR

OF AUSTRALIA The comedian visits the coastline of La Perouse, Canbarra and Sydney (Ceefax) (s) (595181) 10.50 THE BEST OF THE FRANK SKINNER

SHOW (r) (Ceetax) (s) (203487) WALES: ed All About Us 11.20 FILM 96 WITH BARRY NORMAN

Includes reviews of Michael Collins and The First Wives Club, (Ceetax) (858487) 11.50 SMILLIE'S PEOPLE (r) (234013) WALES: Best of the Frank Skinner Show 12.20am WetshQuestions 12.55 Smillie's People 1.40 FiLM: Boundaries of the Heart 3.15 News

12.35am FILM: Boundaries Of The Heart (1980). A romantic drame set in 1950s Australia, directed by Lex Marinos

2.15 WEATHER (7493969)

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6.00 THE MUNSTERS (b/w) (Ceefex) 6.25 UFO (Csefax) (s) (909687)

7.15 AS SEEN ON TV (r) (e) (679278) 7:30 TOP GEAR MOTORSPORT The last in the sereies looks at the final round of the Europar series from Brands Hatch, the world rally series where the manufac-turer's title is still to be decided at San Remo, and a review of the Formula Three Season (Ceefax) (a) (563655)

8.05 PEOPLE'S CENTURY: 1963, Picture Power The last in the series looks at how. ion superseded the chema (r)

9.00 MURDER MOST HORRID Black comedy starring Dawn French (r) (8162)



Joseph McFadden stars (9.30)

9,30 THE CROW ROAD First of a tour-part adaptation of lain Banks's darkly-humorous novel (Ceetax)

10.30 NEWSNIGHT (Ceefm) (106471) 11.15 SOHO STORIES (s) (798636) 12.00 THE MIDNIGHT HOUR (Caelas)

12.30mm THE LEARNING ZONE: 0.U.: GEOLOGY OF THE ALPS (74495) 1.00 DRIFTING CONTINENTS (48143) 1.30 SEISMOLOGY AT WORK (55921) 2.00 NIGHTSCHOOL TV: PSHE: LIFE-SCHOOL AZ (65582) 4.00 BBC FOCUS: ITALIA 2000 (29696) 4.30 DEPURTMENT OF HEALTH SPECIAL (36308) 5.00 PATHWAYS TO CARE (30281) 5.30-6.00 BCN NURSING

#### CHOICE

Short Stories: Down the Drains Channel 4, 8.00pm

There is plenty of humour in Alison Millar's film about the men who work the Belfast sewers but as in any report from Northern Ireland the political divide is never far away. it is not only at work that the crews split into Green (for the Catholic areas) and Orange (for the Protestant). Their favourise leisure pursuits also follow religious lines, with Catholics favouring pool and Protestants table tennis. A blocked manhole on an IRA estate is found to contain "goldfish", the sewer worker's euphemism for condoms. provoking ribald questions about what good Catholics have been doing with such things. The pumping station reveals greater hazards to the system, such as basins, buckets and even sofas, not to mention a surprising number of women's tights. But such finds help to leaven a mucky job.

*ITV*, 8.30pm

First presented in a pilot last year, Sharman (Clive Owen) is a scruffy private eye operating in south London. He is a failed cop and a failed husband and charmless into the bargain. Given such an unappetising hero. the show's strategy is to swamp him with plot. There should be a prize for anybody who can stay with such a complicated story and make sense of it, though the key is that the villains are either Greek or black or possibly both. If Sharman is notable for one thing it is the number of explosions. The real stars are the special effects team as first a club is bombed and disappears in flames, then a house, then Sharman's car and finally an undertaker's. The writer is Guy Jenkin, best known for topical satire in Drop the Dead Donkey and Crossing the Floor. But he manages few laughs here.

Cutting Edge: Great House Wives Channel 4, 9.00pm

The subjects of Marilyn Gaunt's film do their best to convince us that marrying the a pampered and leisurely life. Pamela, Lady Mansfield, was "dismayed and frightened to discover that she was taking on not just a husband but his Scottish pile. When Scone Palace was opened to the public she suddenly had to learn how to run a shop and restaurant. At Knebworth, famous for its rock concerts, Chryssie, Lady Cobbold, canes chairs, mends upholstery and goes shopping at Sainsbury's for their overnight guests. Flona is married to Lord Montagu of Beaulieu, despite falling to share his passion for old cars and preferring to ear scrambled eggs alone rather than join his lavish banquets. But she has stuck it for 22 years and has an escape route: "If I get fed up", she

The Crow Road

With its quirky, not to say macabre, humour, and, at its heart, a Scottish family whose members have a habit of dying suddenly or disappearing, lain Banks's novel offers intriguing if unorthodox fare. Trying to make sense of his relatives is Prentice Uoseph McFadden), a 20-year-old student who has fallen out with his father, is jealous of his successful brother and infatuated by a beautiful distant cousin but too timid to tell her so. The tone is set at grandma's funeral when the old lady's body explodes on the way to being cremated. Flashbacks tend to arrest the narrative flow but not the enigma of a missing uncle and the notes he left behind for has relishable lines and raw language in equal measure and the director is the reliable Gavin Millar.

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6.00am GMTV (1163013) 9.25 SUPERMARKET SWEEP (1782365) 9.55 REGIONAL NEWS (2591152) 10.00 THE TIME. . , THE PLACE (24926)

10.30 THIS MORNING (24500568) 12.20pm REGIONAL NEWS (4376617) 12.30 NEWS (Teletext) and weather (4515487)

12.55 LOOK AND COOK (8) (4427278) 1.25 CORONATION STREET (1) (Teletext) (7323839) 2.00 HOME AND AWAY (Teletent) (s) (57575988) 2.25 CROSS WITS (Teletent) (s) (57587723) 2.50 GARDEN CALENDAR (s) (6398013)

3.20 NEWS (Teletext) (4493181) 3.25 REGIONAL NEWS (4492452)

3.30 TOTS TV CLASSICS (3902742) 3.40 THE SLOW NORRIS (7832704) 3.50 WOLVES, WITCHES AND GIANTS (3086758) 4.05 SOOTY AND CO (5041013) 4.25 SCOOBY DOO (5027433) 4.50 HOW 2 (5230704) 5.10 BRUCE'S PRICE IS RIGHT (7787297)

5.40 NEWS (Teletext) and weather (558365) 6.00 HOME AND AWAY (r) (Teletext) (s) (101487) 6.25 HTV NEWS (Teletext) (599075)

7.00 THE LIST (4723) 7.30 CORONATION STREET Des forces

Claire to make a decision (Teletext) (425) 8.00 WORLD IN ACTION Donal McIntyre discovers some people supposed to be controlling illegal drugs actively pertici-paling in the trade (Teletext) (s) (3471)



Clive Owen as Sharman (8.30pm)

SHARMAN New tour-per series about a private detec tive. Starring Clive Owen (97592) 10.00 NEWS (Teletext) and weather (22471)

10.30 REGIONAL NEWS (399075) 10.40 CLIVE JAMES - POSTCARD FROM THE MELBOURNE CUP Dive returns to Australia to sample the atmosphere at the country's biggest horse-racing event. He checking out the surf culture, rowing the Piver Yare and landing a role in Neighbours (Teletert) (s) (306384)

11.40 HUNTER (156636) 12.40em BUSHELL ON THE BOX (\$) (3761259)

1.10 CUSTOMS CLASSIFIED (9914306) 1,55 JONES AND JURY (s) (5721211)

2.20 FILM: BABYCAKES (1989) starring Ricks Lake, Craig Sheffer and Nada Despotovich. Quirky, romantic cornec about a female mortuary worker and he attempts to seduce a handsome train driver. Directed by Paul Schneider

3.65 SOUND BITES (79651921) 4.05 COACH (s) (56270722) 4.30 THE TIME ... THE PLACE (r) (s) (23834) 5.00 THE ENTERTAINERS (30227) 5.30 ITM MORNING NEWS (93018)

#### CENTRAL As HTV West except:

12.55om HOME AND AWAY (4427278) 1.25 CROSS WITS (39083278) 1,55 A COUNTRY PRACTICE (24554365) 2.20 BLUE HEELERS (5057988)

5.10-5.40 SHORTLAND STREET (7787297) 6.25 CENTRAL NEWS (599075) 7.00-7.30 BRUCE'S PRICE IS RIGHT (4723) 11.40 BAGDAD CAFE (351704) 12.10am BEYOND REALITY (4208308)

12.40 NATIONWIDE FOOTBALL LEAGUE EXTRA (2885495) 1.25 THE CRIME HOUR (7823495) 2.25 JONES AND JURY (6638650) 2.45 Film: DRACULA'S DAUGHTER (9895722)

4.00 JOBFINDER (2079747)

#### WESTCOUNTRY

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54C Starts: 6.30am TAKE FIVE (57948) 7.00 THE BIG BREAKFAST (32487) 9.00 HERE'S ONE I MADE EARLIER (60920) 9.30 YSGOLION (924891) 12.00 RIGHT TO REPLY (29384 12.30pm BACKDATE (57655) 1.00 SLOT MEITHRIN (39346) 1.30 Film: THE GIFT HORSE (30100636) 3.20 FRESH POP (4482075) 3.30 THE LIVING SEA (297) 4.00 HFTEEN-TO-ONE (704) 4.30 GARDEN DOCTORS (988) 5.00 5 PUMP (5029) 5.30 COUNTDOWN: THE SEARCH FOR THE SUPREME CHAMPION (568) 6.00 NEWYDDION (997891) 6.05 HENO (260015) 6.35 JACPOT (265704) 7.00 POBOL Y CWM (316297) 7.25 BEIBL PETER WILLIAMS (627742) 8.00 BACHA HI O'MA (1013) 8.30 NEWYDDION (1920) 9.00 FRASIER (4758) 9.30 FRIENDS (37891) 10.00 SGORIO (9988) 11.00 THE AMERICAN FOOTBALL

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TECHNOLOGY 12.00 RIGHT TO REPLY (r) (Ceefax) (29384) 12.30pm BACKDATE (57655) 1.00 SESAME STREET (5421704) 1.56 SOMETHING TO TELL YOU

(24552907) 2.20 Fil.M: The Iron Curtain (1948, b/w) Cold War thriller based on a true story. With Dana Andrews and Gene Tierney Direcled by William A. Wellman (Teletext) (596839)

4.00 FIFTEEN-TO-ONE (Teletext) (704) 4.30 COUNTDOWN (Teletext) (988) 5.00 MONTEL WILLIAMS SHOW (Teletext) (5351452) **5.45 ANTON MOSIMANN** — NATURALLY (Teletext) (822452)

8.00 MOVIEWATCH Young critics from Glasgow offer their opinions on Fled

staming Laurence Fishburne and Stephen Baldwin, Michael Collins starring Llam Neeson and Julia Roberts and the wilchcraft chiller. The Craft (181) 6.30 HOLLYOAKS (Teletext) (s) (433)

7.00 CHANNEL 4 NEWS (Teletext) (718433) 7.55 THE SLOT (631278) 8.00 CHOICE SHORT STORIES: Down the Drains The sewers of Belfast (Telelext) (1013)

8.30 THE REAL HOLIDAY SHOW Gaby Roslin presents holiday films from Kenya Greece and Comwall (s) (1920)



Lady Montagu (9pm)

9.00 CHOICE CUTTING EDGE: Great House Wives A look at the lives of three women who reside in great stately homes (Teletext) (s) (2029)

10.00 HOMICIDE: LIFE ON THE STREET -When a former cop is found dead, his son, also a cop, tries take matters into his own hands (Teletext) (s) (9988) 11.00 THE AMERICAN FOOTBALL BIG

MATCH Gary Imlach introduces the Washington Redskins v the Buffalo Bills (a) (932013) 12.20am TRANS WORLD SPORT (3844414)

1.20 LET THE BLOOD RUN FREE Dick IS restored to his normal self (r) (s) 1.50 FILM: The Life of Emile Zola (1937, b/w) Oscar-winning biopic starring Paul Muni as the celebrated French novelist

Directed by William Dieterie (773018) 4.00-5.00 SCHOOLS: Making Sanse of Science (s) (20679) 

#### SATELLITE AND CABLE

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7.00mm Love Compensor (3844810) 7.20 Ph.55 Your Luck (3831346) 7.40 Jeopedyl (522243) 8.10 Hotal (6041487) 9.00 Profes Warld (579598) 9.45 Opeah Ph.100 (1892984) 10.40 Rest IV (761055) 11.10 Sally Jessey Rochael (95.7635) 12.00 11.10 Sally Jessey Rochael (95.7635) 12.00 Geraldo (96.668) 1.00pm One to These Geraldo (96.668) 1.00pm One to These Geraldo (96.668) 1.00pm One to The Classification (17.42) 6.00 New Adven-10103 Superman (85452) 7.00 Sampsons (547) 7.30 M/SH (8297) 8.00 Through the hyprole (1891) 8.30 Cen't Hurry Lose (3146) 9.00 Protet Ferrors (22907) 10.00 200 Hour Peter Peters (2500) 1000 200 Teck The Next Generation (2509) 11.00 New Adventure: of Supermen 17029) 12.00 Midnight Caller (40037) 1.00am LAPD (76056) 1.36 Real TV (82105)

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4.00pm Jet Pilot (1957) (8501100) 6.00 To Sk., with Love (1967) (2658794) 8.00 Paggy Sue Got Married (1986) (2650649) 10.00 Predator (1967) (733094) 11.50 Haunted Honeymoon (1986) (7613345) 1.15am The L-Shaped Room (1963) (90377414) 3.20 City Lights (1931) THE DISNEY CHANNEL

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12.00 Max Out (58837094) 12.30 pm Rebel Sports (25.39365) 1.00 World of Speed and Boasty (94799687) 1.30 Golf Anderson Consulting Chempionship Preview (25.438638) 2.00 Golf European Craikings Tour UAP Grand Final (93006907) 3.00 Drag Racing (36684029) 3.30 Football League (75406094) 8.00 Max Out (10076384) 6.00 Max Out (10076384) 6.00 Februs (75406094) 1.00 Februs 7.00 Sports Centre (36576810) 7.30 World Motor Sport (43812520) 11.36-12.00 Motor . Sport (43812520) -11.36-12.00 Sports Centre (99094162) EUROSPORT

7.30am Blathion (95562) 8.30 Judo (56723) 10.00 International Motorsports Report (39364) 11.00 Footbal (59452) 1.00pm Adverture (68810) 2.00 Marsthon (78100) 4.00 Darts (29345) 5.00 Bosing (5535) 6.00 At Sports: UNISSCO Jubises (55345) 7.00 Sportsortal (14029) 9.00 Strongman (55029) 10.00 Footbal (29459) 11.00 Shi (5022) 10.00 Footbal (29459) 11.00 Shi (5022) 10.00 Footbal (2015) 10.00 Shi (5022) 10.00 Footbal (5023) 11.00 Shi (5023) 10.00 Footbal (5023) 11.00 Shi (5023) 10.00 Jumping (30013) 12,00-12,30em Cross Country Sking (30719) **GRANADA PLUS** 

6.00am Ruswey (8073278) 6.30 Once Upon a Time (65896471) 6.45 Our Back-Lipon a Time (6596471) 6.48 Our Beat-yard (77176100) 7.00 Allsons (2826891) 7.15 Once Lipon a Time (697804) 7.30 Chiktern's Ward (1383100) 8.00 Classic Concessor Seed (1810515) 8.30 Rurway (1819907) 9.00 Familes (190487) 9.30 Crown Court Special (6948568) 10.00 Down to Earth (7785181) 10.30 Bless Me Father (1822471) 11.00 Life (283820) 12.00 Classic Coronation Street (1813729) 12.30pm Lip the Garden Path (5942884) 1,00 Crown Court Special (1188556) 1.30 Families (5941655) 2.00 A Family at War (7796810) 1.00 Class Me Father (7984625)



Lily Tomlin and Tom Walts in Short Cuts (Movie Channel, 12.10am)

lutes of Sherlock Holmes (6336742) From 11.00pm-2.00em Men and Minters GRANADA GOOD LIFE

From 6.00am-0.00 TV High Street. From 6,00cm-8,00 TV High Street. Includes consumer now, and leaders and four Stars presented by Russell Grant From 9,00-12,00 Food and Wine, Includes recipes and ideas from Delia Smith and Keth Flowd.

From 12,00-5,00pm Heath and Beouty, Includes Natural Heath.

From 3,00-6,00 Hissell and Garden. Includes The Good Life Style Guide.

4.00pm Biography. George Bush (2789704) 5.00 The Great Ships (2549636)

6.00 The Life and Times of Lord Mounthat-ten (1064617) 7.09-6.00 Biography: Yizhak Rabin (4250891)

THE SCI-FI CHANNEL

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TLC/DISCOVERY

9.00mm The Joy of Porting (1452029) 9.38 Gardens, without Benders (4657375) 10.00 Go Fishing (2735278) 10.30 The House (1378013) 11.90 Homemaker (8454278) 11.30 Crathuss (8435907) 12.00 Julie Child panceso | 1.40 ran Lan Cook (8157984) 1.30 Honte Agan(748802) 2.00 The Loy Cabin (2390817) 2.30 Secret Gentlers (855204) 2.00 Secret Gentlers (855204) 2.00 Secret Gentlers (855204) 1.30 Feb. (8502042) (9006308) 4,00 YSGOLION (20679)

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7.00am Going for Gold (2975907) 7.35 Coronation Steet (4952162) 8.00 Neighbours (2439029) 8.25 EastEnders (253709) 9.00 The Bit (145487) 9.30 Growing Pains (7575452) 10.30 The Sultivaris (1370471) 11.00 The Chedin Line (2450069) 18.00 Coronatal (25230069) Sulhears (13704711 11,00 The Chedin Line (7452908) 12,00 Croseroods (53310365) 12,259m Neighbours (35313452) 12,55 EastEnders (31857231 1,30 1 Didn'i Nrow You Cared (3977810) 2,05 A Line Bu of Ernery (40751029) 2,20 Dear John (466639) 3,00 Sale of the Certury (204810) 3,00 Sale of the Certury (204810) 3,00 Sale of the Certury (304810) 5,35 Crossbads (3604723) 6,00 Man Alton (154616) 156 Three (1866635) 156 in About the House (8656433) 6.30 Three Alan About the House (8564.33) 6.39 Three Up, Ten Down (5795.78) 7.05 Bob 5 rull House (5465365) 7.45 Odd One Out (5119984) 8.25 The Bockford Faes (20719433) 10.15 The Bell (6255.888) 10.50 Spiring Image (3849926) 11.25 The Best of Top of the Pops (1704029) 12.10 am Fourth Arm (5687431 1.05 Father of Leathers Arm (6498143) 1.05 Edge of Darkness

6.00mm Swam's Crossing (6105617) 5.29 Metroom (6109433) 6.45 Hellway Across the Galaxy (823810) 7.15 Ready or Not (820723) 7.45 California Dreams (829094) (85)7/3) 7.45 Canomia Jiraams (82049) 8.15 Sweet Valley High (47059) 8.45 An Atlack (7340297) 9.00 Tiny TCC (8397297) 9.26 Brum (8377433) 8.40 Johnson (8517487) 10.20 Philbert the Frog (8517487) 10.20 Philbert the Frog (8517467) 18.20 Phaben the Frog (3052384) 18.40 Charlie Chall. (7551346) 11.00 Dimobables (87384) 11.30 Avenal Show (88013) 12.00 Barray (84384) 12.30pm Whare's Weby' (12555) 1.00 Casper (26556) 1.30 Tiny and Crew (61953-52) 1.55 Johnson (13866284) 2.20 Burray (10718636) 2.40 Mt Bern (9793520) 2.00 Haltiyay Across the Gallay (7966) 3.38 Ready or Not (2433) 4.00 Caltorna Dreams (15584 4.305.60 Sames Valley Hen (1592) NICKELOBEON

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7.00pm Diffrent Strokes (9839) 7.30 Benson (4839) 8.00 Due South (7983) 9.00 Airrost Perfect (21704) 9.30 Tau 1633651 10.00 Entertainment Toright (S9487) 19.30 Flying Blind (32907) 11.00 in Ged, with Me Diriner (33549) 11.30 Nightstand (39655) 12.30am Sledge Ham-mer! (63327) 1.00 Dur. Scuth (66143) 2.00 Emerianment Torught (96414) 2.30 in Bed. with Me Dinner (75921) 3.00 Flying Blind (22768) 3.30-4.00 Almost Partiett (99501) BRAVO

12.00 Fantasy Island (3953592) 1.00pm

(8433549) 4.00 FILM: Spring and Port Wine (2300094) 6.00 Job 90 (8764029)

6.30 Captain Search (8675181) 7.00 The Water Margin (5744758) 8.00 Remington Siecle (5657278) 9.00 Starsky and Hutch (5660742) 10.00-12.00 FILM: Tattoo UK LIVING 6,00am Kiltor (6016013) 6.55 Super Agony Experience (4821013) 7.30 The Young and the Resiless (6132365) 8.20 A Taste of Wales (5599810) 8.55 Turnabout (7958297) 9.35 Call the Dector (1280618) 10.00 Super Fresco Fabulations (3650988) 10.05 The Jerry Springer Show (7525487) 11.00 The Young and the Resiless (8394487) 11.55 Brookside (43986164)

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5,00pm Blockbusters (5891) 5.30 Treasure 5,00pm Blockbusters (5891) 5,00 Pressure
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The 24 hour music channel includes news, reviews live concert footage interviews and the latest music video chans. The video hits channel. Classic rock and

pop videos and the best new sources

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CARTOON NETWORK/THT

Continuous cartoons from 5am to 9pm. 9.00pm Memphia (1991) ;36985565 11.00 Whose Life is it Anyway? (1981) (55548758) 1.00am The Password is Courage (1983) :55426582; 3.00-8.00 Memphis (1991) (46401921)

Supermarket expansion for Car Group



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# BT seals \$20bn takeover of MCI to become global force

By Sarah Cunningham AND CARL MORTISHED

BRITISH TELECOM'S agreed \$20 billion takeover of MCI, the US telecommunications group, is the largest transatlantic deal in history and will create "a new, high-growth, global communications powerhouse," Sir Peter Bonfield, chief executive of BT, said

yesterday. He said that the cash-andshare deal would raise BT's carnings after one year and would add £500 million a year to combined pre-tax profits after five years. He expects shareholder and regulatory approval by next autumn.

He also unveiled a range of sweeteners for BT shareholders, including a 35p special dividend that will cost £2.3

The two companies are merging their operations to form a holding company named Concert — the name of an existing joint venture between the two companies.

This will be 66 per cent owned by former BT shareholders and 34 per cent by those of MCl. It will be incorporated in the UK and have headquarters in London

and Washington. BT and MCI will operate in their home markets under their original names. Concert will have annual revenues of more than £25 billion, cashflow of about £7.5 billion, and 43 million business and residential customers in 70 countries.

Sir lain Vallance, chairman of BT, and Bert Roberts, chairman of MCl, will be cochairmen of Concert. Sir Colin Marshall will be non-executive deputy chairman and Sir Peter Bonfield will be chief executive. Gerald Taylor, curating officer of MCI, will hold the same job at Concert and will report to Sir Peter. There will be eight non-executives —

four from each side. MCI has a 13.5 per cent stake in The News Corporation, parent company of The Times. Mr Taylor said: "I expect the relationship with News Corp to continue," but said he did not foresee the deal



Gerald Taylor, of MCI, and Sir Peter Bonfield, of BT, as they unveiled the biggest transatlantic deal in history in London yesterday

changing the nature of the relationship. Rupert Murdoch, chairman and chief executive of News Corp and a director of MCI, will not become a director of Concert.

The takeover comes six months after the breakdown of alliance talks between BT and Cable and Wireless, its biggest UK rival. Sir Peter denied that MCI, in which BT aiready noids a 20 pe stake, was second best. "It is first best," he said.

While C&W would have given BT access to potentially lucrative Asian markets, Sir Peter said he hoped that Concert would attract Asian partners and named NTT. the Japanese telecoms giant, as one he would be keen to work with. BT's special dividend will be

dividend in September 1997. It is not conditional on the merger going through. The final dividend for the year ended March 31 will be 11.95p, giving a full-year dividend of 19.85p, up 6.1 per cent. BT is also to ask its shareholders for approval to buy back up to 10 per cent of its shares, but said the actual amount and timing of of the move would depend

MCI, but analysts were tying themselves in knots yesterday over how to value it exactly. The quibble is over the base

value of BT shares for the purposes of valuing the share element of the offer to MCI holders. MCI shareholders will receive the equivalent of 5.4 new BT shares and \$6 in cash for each MCI share. They will not be receiving the BT BT is paying a premium for nary dividend, so some 55p

should, some analysts argue, be deducted from the value of BT shares offered. BT's offer is then worth \$32, a premium of 28 per cent to the MCI stock price on Thursday. Valued at the Friday closing price for BT, the US company is worth \$36 per share, but Doug Maine, MCI finance officer. argued that the 10 per cent share buyback would boost

BT's shares would suffer much from the dilution of the share issue and lower initial earnings. Some suggested the special dividend was a bribe to prop up the BT share price. Others were undecided on whether the strategy would work but were prepared to give BT the benefit of the doubt over the extra payout, the promise of a competitive Analysts were not betting that pect of share repurchases.

# Video link in the merger chain

An adviser to MCI comthree months ago. mented, that ironically, "often big deals are not as complicated as some smaller ones". He said that talks started in

of October.

## IoD survey shows fall in business confidence

By PHILIP BASSETT, INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

BUSINESS confidence is failing significantly even though the economy is continuing to improve, with increases in orders, profits and overall company performance, according to evidence from UK company directors.

Manufacturing improvement is flattening out, direc-tors say, with the overall uncertainty leading them to reinforce calls to Kenneth Clarke, the Chancellor, to present a cautious Budget on November 26. But separate survey evidence today from the manufacturing industry suggests that small firms in particular are improving.

The Chancellor's decision last week to raise interest rates came after most of the large scale industrial surveys had reported their findings, but today's figures from the Insti-tute of Directors (IoD) show that business remains unsure in advance of Mr Clarke's pre-

election Budget. The loD's phone survey of more than 500 directors says the net balance of those more rather than less optimistic about their firm's prospects has decreased by a significant five percentage points from 61 per cent in June to 56 per cent for the third quarter. Optimism in manufacturing and construction is even less buoyant.

The uncertainty contrasts markedly in the IoD survey with improving figures on other indicators, with orders cited as above normal by a balance of 34 per cent of directors, compared with 24 per cent in the previous quarter. Company performance and output are ability has risen from a balance of 25 to 34 per cent.

Employment is showing a ery positive increase, accordbalance of 42 per cent of to the IoD, with a net company directors saying they have increased job numbers, compared with 30 per cent

Cost and price pressures remain subdued, the survey shows, even though 78 per cent are awarding pay rises at the previous year's level or higher, with a fifth making pay awards at 7.5 per cent or more. But manufacturing firms are recording output falling

back. The number of manufacturers saying that output is rising now is down by 20 percentage points since June. Exporters are also seeing a decline in orders for the sec-

and successive quarter. IoD analysis are now forecasting growth of 2.25 per cent for this year on the basis of the continuing growth indicated by the survey. They say sea-sonal factors may be affecting confidence and that the harder edged indicators of orders and output may be a more reliable guide to the current performance of companies.

Ruth Lea, head of policy at the IoD, said: "The increases in company performance and employment combined with benign price and costs pressures show the economy is continuing to make solid

progress."
Small firms are showing a particular fall in confidence, according to the loD survey down from a net balance of 69 per cent three months ago to 48 per cent now. However, they are reporting higher than average growth in output, orders, jobs and pay.

But a separate study from the Confederation of British Industry today says that busi-ness confidence among small firms is now rising for the first time since April, with total new orders and busput up, and employment rising



ROGER BOOTLE SRYS that UK exporters are bearing the brunt of the Government's anti-inflation policy

#### The chairmen of the two ordinate rehearsals of the two companies made extensive companies' presentations for analysts and journalists. use of video conferencing which were held in London during negotiations, even in and New York yesterday. the final, most delicate, stages,

com's takeover of MCI has involved a large amount of elecommunications wizardry (Sarah Cunningham writes).

Sir Iain Vallance, of BT, and Bert Roberts, of MCI, spoke

to each other twice on Saturday via a video linkaster their boards had met to agree to the final terms of the deal. Video links were also used to co-

Video conferencing pro-vides audio and visual links

miles apart, even on opposite sides of the world, can be run An adviser to BT said that more traditional methods of

so that meetings taking place

arranging major deals, including flying across the At-lantic for face-to-face meetings, had also played a major part in the deal. You still need to be able to

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## McCain chips in with the lottery

By SARAH CUNNINGHAM

THE humble chipped potato could make you a millionaire. That, at least, will be the message McCain Foods hopes to put across through a link with the National Lottery.

McCain, a privately owned Canadian company best known for its oven chips, has signed a deal with Camelot, the lottery operator, which will allow it to use the lottery name, logo and slogans for promotions. The deal will last for one year, starting on January 6.

This is the first success for the National Lottery in a plan to ser up a series of crosspromotional marketing partnerships with companies in different consumer sectors. McCain has paid an undisclosed fee to Camelot and plans to spend £5 million on a series of campaigns. The lottery is looking for up to ten non-competing companies to pay for comparable rights.

McCain plans to put minia-

ture lottery balls inside bags of

oven chips, which will entitle

#### McCain lucky dip ticket. Julie Leivers, McCain's marketing director, said: "By linking with such a wellknown brand, we will increase awareness and build the McCain brand in the UK."

customers to send off for a free

lucky dip lottery ticket. McCain will pay £1 million to

charity if the lottery jackpot is

won by someone using a

Leivers: marketing deal

#### Ill-discipline in schools hits insurers

FAMILY breakdown and illdiscipline in schools have contributed towards an 80 per cent rise in insurance claims for malicious damage, according to a new survey (Marianne Curphey writes). Paint-spraying, throwing

bricks through windows and an increase in other antisocial behaviour over the past five years has led to the huge rise. Landon, the North West and the Midlands are the worst affected. Last year NatWest Insurance Services, which conducted the survey, paid out more than £5 million in claims for home thefts in England. Over the last 12 months claims for malicious

damage rose 26 per cent. A NatWest spokeswoman said: "There is a lot of discussion about the problems of discipline among young people, and we believe this has contributed to the rise in claims. A large proportion of claims are from landlords whose tenants have wrecked the property before they walked out.

## UK snub to EU over jobs

BY CHRISTINE BUCKLEY INDUSTRIAL CORRESPONDENT

LABOUR is to try to bring European pressure to bear on the Government after it has emerged that the UK has pulled out of an EU job creation initiative.

A leaked letter from John Major to Jacques Santer, President of the European Commission, reveals that Britain is to ignore the territorial employment pact, which aims to tackle unemployment across Europe through a se-ries of regional and local said: "Once again. Britain is initiatives. The Prime Ministhe odd man out, and the Government is clearly putting ter told M Santer: "We consider that setting up further new Conservative Party interests initiatives and institutional above the national interest." structures would mean more bureaucracy to no good

No extra EU funds are attached to the nact, and this is being used by Government Richard Caborn, Labour's as a reason not to participate. spokesman for National Both Mr Major and Gillian Competitiveness and Regula-Shephard, the Education and tion, is to meet the EU Employment Secretary, have President and MEPs to told the Commission that the launch a Europe-wide at-UK has sufficient schemes to tempt to persuade the UK to reduce unemployment.

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# EU to call time for Major over 48-hour week

The opposing armies are drawn up facing each other, pennants fluttering in the breeze; backbenchers and spin-doctors await only the order to attack. The election battle over Europe begins in eight days.

On November 12, the European Court of Justice will, barring an unimaginable change of heart, rule against Britain and say that the EU's directive capping the length of the working week at 48 hours is legal Since noise and smoke are about to obliterate this issue for perhaps six months, here are home truths about the social chapter.

John Major claims that the 48-hour week rule breaches a promise given five years ago at Maastricht that EU social law would not apply to Britain Answering a question in the Commons about the 48-hour week last July, the Prime Minister said he had "reached an agreement on ensuring that we were not covered by that at Maas-tricht, and I intend that that agreement shall be kept. Our colleagues in Europe need not expect that we will reach further agreements at the next inter-governmental conference unless they are prepared to restore the

This daisy chain of mistaken assumptions reveals
Mr Major to be in the
realms of fantasy, His opposite numbers in the EU
have not hreached faith because they have not given him any blanket immunity from social law. At Maastricht. Britain opted out of seven social policy clauses, better known as the "social chapter", in the new treaty. The Government remains involved in, and bound by, any social rules agreed under other, older bits of

The 48-hour week pro-posal was born before the social chapter was even thought of Britain was fully involved in several sterile years of debate over the directive and managed to carve out a number of exemptions and delays that it comes into force here.

seeking to cancel the directive and to be insulated from any such Major is asking for a pariners will refuse. pledged to wreck or indefinitely delay the treaty conference until their wishes



will be fearful, furious and impatient to be dealing with Labour. On what its commitment to join the social chapter will mean in practice, Labour will shilly-shally in front of businessmen who value the social opt-out. No real bargaining can take place until the election result is in.

Several lessons emerge first that Mr Major is both loser and winner. Continental custom and practice is moving away from work-ing hours limits. Virtually all EU governments except Britain limited the working week before the directiv was agreed; some now wish they did not. Most governments in Western Europe are lightening labour regulation at the request of business and industry. The writers of the directive who thought that shortening working hours helps create jobs are watching the evidence stack up against them. Two French studies have just found no connec-

he second lesson applies to Labour as much as to the Tories since it concerns the quality of British decision-making on matters European British ministers think that their partners played "dirty pool" in making the 48-hour rule a health and safety measure.

tion between shorter work-

ing hours and job creation.

Continental politicians and judges think working hours are naturally to do with health and safety and that it is equally obvious he an EU treaty to reflect this. Anglo-Saxon and Rhine-land emitalism are in

by a majority needs one of good lawyers to spot hidden dangers and to weaken ng explanation for lost out. On the 48-hour ek. Mr Major bas none

> Leading article, page 23 GEORGE BROCK

### **Papal Mass** marks 50 years in the priesthood

FROM RICHARD OWEN

THE Pope celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of his ordination at the weekend, and told how he wrote his memoirs during his summer retreat in the mountains while waiting to enter hospital to have his appendix removed.

Vatican officials said the autobiography, Gift and Mystery, would be published before the end of the year in

several languages.

But it was unlikely to deal with controversial issues of his 18-year papacy, such as the role in the fall of Communism in Eastern Europe. Instead it would focus on his youth, the Second World War and his career as bishop and cardinal in Cracow before being elected pontiff in 1978.

The Pope appeared tired at the Mass commemorating his ordination in 1946. He recalled the horrors of Nazi-occupied Poland, the loss of most of his immediate family, and his decision at the age of 26 to give up a theatre career for the priesthood.



The Pope blesses pilgrims in Rome yesterday at a Mass in which he recalled the horror of Nazi-rule in Poland

## Milosevic Socialists poised for victory in Yugoslav election

THE Socialists of President Milosevic of Serbia were poised for victory as about seven million apathetic Serbs went to the polls yesterday to elect the lower chamber of the 138-seat federal Yugoslav parliament as well as local and municipal authorities.

During the morning it was the elderly, barely surviving on frugal, irregular monthly cheques, who queued at Bel-grade polling stations, most of them bewildered by the lists, They are safe voters for the regime, fearing they might find themselves even without the little they do get. After years of defiance, the Serbs have slumped into apathy and the mood is that there is not much to choose between the regime and opposition - they are all the same".

The election is being boycotted by two million Albanians in Kosovo. Since President Milosevic abolished the region's autonomy and imposed martial law in 1989 the Albanians have elected and set up ever the West tells him to. their own parallel parliament and government, most of whose members are in exile, with Dr Ibrahim Rugova their

They are set on full autonomy and are doggedly and patiently pursuing that goal, knowing that Mr Milosevic eventually will concede what-

#### East Europe at the polls

Petar Stoyanov, the Bulgarian opposition candi-date, was heading for victory yesterday in the country's presidential elections, according to exit polls (Our Foreign Staff write). In Bucharest, also yesterday, efforts by President Iliescu of Romania to win re-election may be thwarted by widespread corruption allegations.

The election for the Yugocial for Mr Milosevic, who is aspiring to the post of Presi-dent of Yugoslavia (Serbia plus Montenegro) after his term as President of Serbia

expires next year. Under the Serbian constitution he cannot be elected for a amend the constitution, should the presidency of Yugoslavia not be forthcoming, but to do that he needs a twothirds majority in the Serbian parliament. For the presidency of Yugoslavia he needs a simple majority in the federal parliament. Even a marginal victory should allow him to

achieve that ambition. An indication that Mr Milosevic will become President of Yugoslavia comes in reports that the old presidential residence occupied by President Tito, who ruled until his death in 1980, is being redecorated and refurnished.



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Marcus du Sautoy asks how we can look at multidimensional shapes when we are equipped with only 3-D vision

# Chart the realm of the fourth dimension

Times. To do so, your brain sent a message in 28-dimensional space to your arm — one dimension for each

Multidimensional space surely belongs to Hollywood sci-fi movies or H.G Wells short stories. But in Cambridge today. fiction becomes a reality. For the next six weeks, the Newton Institute is playing host to mathematicians from around the world who have been blessed with a special talent — an ability to see in four dimensions.

Most of us are happy with the idea of three spatial dimensions. Asked what is the fourth dimension, those who have read their Hawking will probably reply "time". For scientists, it has become important to keep track not only of someone's position but the time they are at that position.

But in daily life we are dealing not only with four but many dimensions, or variables. Turning a page — each muscle counts as a variable — is one example. The economy is another. Any government's economic decisions can be viewed as a journey through a space with many dimensions, one for interest rates, another for inflation etc. Eddie George and Kenneth Clarke are just like two explorers deciding each month which way to turn next in this multidimensional economic world. Setting off in one direction on interest rates, it is difficult to assess whether, in the inflationary direction, they will hit a hill or slide down a valley.

For many problems from physics to economics, it is important to know what possible shapes can exist in these multi-

dimensional worlds. But how can we look at these shapes when we are equipped only with three-dimensional vision? One approach is to look at the way we build three-dimensional objects out of two-dimennai snapes. Por exami six squares arranged in the

dimensions. Well, if you want to build a four-dimensional cube, Dali's picture opposite shows the three-dimensional shape that you will have to fold up into four dimensions.

An alternative way to see yourself in two dimensions is to look at your shadow. It doesn't tell you everything about yourself in three dimensions but it gives you some idea. In the same way, we can study beasts in four dimensions by looking at their shadows in three dimensions.

However, these methods still provide a limited insight into what possible creatures live out there in four dimensions. After all, as with real shadows, two 4-D shapes with the same shadow are not

Those necessarily the same For years math-ematicians have been who have stumbling around to read their find a decent pair of 4D glasses through Hawking which to view these creatures. Then, in will reply

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pair of glasses lying around in the physicist's backyard -- Yang-Mills equations. The Yang-Mills equations describe the behaviour of the forces, like gluons and bosons, which hold together sub-atomic particles. They are a more sophisticated version of Maxwell's equations in physics, which tell us how the forces of electricity

and magnetism are related.

1982, a young gradu-ate student in Oxford,

Simon Donaldson.

found an unexpected

Professor Donaldson showed that the solutions of these equations provide a mysterious key to understanding what makes the four-dimensional world tick. He used the solutions to discover a fingerprint which, unlike the 3-D shadows, allowed him to distinguish whether two 4-D shapes were the same. Mathematicians call such fingerprints invariants. As with human beings, the the whole entity but is sufficient shape of a cross. We can fold this to tell humans, and 4D shapes, figure to make a cube in three apart. Professor Donaldson's

work was ground-breaking. It earned him a Fields Medal, equivalent in mathematics to the Nobel prize. But the 4-D specs he had discovered were still very difficult to look through. The main problem with his invari-ants was that the fingerprints he produced were infinite, extending for ever.

However, physicists Nathan Seiberg at Rutgers University and Ed Witten at Princeton recently tossed a new equation into the debate. The Seiberg-Witten equations extend the Yang-Mills equations by describing not only the forces that behaves. Professor Witten, fam-

ous in the mathematical world for applying his physicist's intuition to answer deep problems in mathematics,

new equations provided mathematicians with a new, easier-to-read fingerprint.
What made Profes-

sor Witten's 4-D specs so much clearer is a phenomenon called compactness. This quality makes infinite things look finite. Since mathematicians are essentially finite creatures at heart, they quickly took notice.
If you are confused about

multidimensional space, take heart. So are mathematicians. It is still not understood why a bunch of equations in physics should help mathematicians, but the fact is that they do. Meanwhile, the six-week

meeting at the Newton Institute will bring together physicists and these four-dimensional explorers to see how much farther they can peer into this murky world. But, now that physicists have tossed mathematicians a powerful pair of 4-D specs, we can begin to chart the mysterious realms of four dimensions.

Dr Marcus du Sautoy is a Royal Society University Research Fellow and a Fellow of Robinson College,



If you want to build a 4-D cube, Dali's picture shows the 3-D shape that you will have to fold up into four dimensions

#### $\square$ The games that take time $\square$ Life in space

## Sports for all seasons

WHY do some sports have a season that goes on for ever, while others make do with no more than a couple of dozen games to determine their

league championship? Hands up if you thought this was simply a func-tion of how greedy and grasping the promoters and clubs are. This can't be the whole truth, however. The IIS hasehali season lasts a whonping i62 games, while American football makes do with just 16.

SCIENCE BRIEFING Nigel There is no com-Hawkes ference in the

commercial motives of the people who run the two sports. Now an American psychologist, Dr Nicho-las Christenfeld of the University of California in San Diego, has come up with a different explanation. He believes that season

length is a function of the balance between skill and chance in every sport, "Contests with too much chance are pointless as measures of relative ability," he argues in Nature. Those with too little chance provide no suspense." As a result, sports have over

> the years evolved seasons that pro vide the right mix to keep specintors interested. He shows this by calculating the "reliability" of different sports - basically the degree to which results can be predicted by examining other results in the same league. For an Individual game, this varies

the least reliable and the two rugby codes, union and league, the most reliable. Over a season, however, all sports achieve a reliability that is very similar, tending towards a state in which skill and chance play a roughly equal part in the

final outcome. Reliable sports need few games to achieve this; unreli-

#### Is there anybody out there?

YEARS of silence have failed to damnt the spirit of

those who enjoy searching for signs of extraterrestrial intelligence. The most comprehensive search ever to be launched has just begun at the 140ft US National Radio Astronomy Observatory, at Green Bank, West Virginia.

Project Phoenix, a five-year programme privately finan-ced by the SETI Institute, uses sophisticated electronics to scrutinise large numbers of radio channels. The first-ever search, made by Frank Drake in 1960, examined only one radio channel at a time, but the new search will be 100

trillion times more sensitive. This is partly the result of using a larger telescope, but the majority of the improvement comes from digital electronics that allow rapid

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scanning across the radio dial. The receiver linked to the Green Bank telescope can monitor 28 million channels at once, and by stepping the channels slowly up the dial, the searchers will be able to listen to two billion frequency channels between 1,000 and 3,000 Hz. They will point the telescope at nearby Sun-like stars, and have a target list of 1,000 such stars. A second dish at Woodbury, Georgia, will be used to distinguish between genuine extraterrestrial signals and man-made noise from such things as telecommunications satellites

or military radars. Governments are reluctant to finance this kind of thing, so Project Phoenix has raised the \$3-4 million a year it will cost from entrepreneurs, including William Hewlett and David Packard (of Hewlett-Packard), Gordon Moore of Intel and Paul Allen of-Microsoft.

Putting , a new curve on evolution

An original voice is welcomed by Nigel Hawkes

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dominance in the world, it is natural for human beings to see evolution as an inevitable process designed to put us there. Natural but wrong, argues the palaeontologist Stephen Jay-Gould in his latest book, Life's Grandeur, to be published by Jonathan Cape. The book attacks the idea that there is anything progressive about evolution. Natural selection, acting on the random variation that occurs in each species, is a directionless process that might just as easily not have produced human intelli-

gence at all. For more than 20 years, Professor Gould has been producing a stream of stimulating books which have won him a unique reputation. Less obvously, he has also been a passionate follower of baseball, vhose copious statistics he deploys in Life's Grandeur to illustrate how evolution has appeared to progress without in fact doing so at all. It is according to this argument, all a matter of distribution curves which find successful baseball species - lying at their outer limits. Next Monday Professor Gould will present these ideas ln a Times/Dillon lecture at the Institute of Education in London .

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# When fat becomes much more than a feminist issue

Nigella Lawson hails a new women's magazine which celebrates being large

magazine and see pictures of large women looking gorgeous. It's true that women's magazines, and the fashion sections of the whole gamut of newspapers, do sporadically throw sweetmeats to the unmodel-like (the vast majority of their readers) by granting a feature on the therto unrecognised allure of the fleshier female, but somehow it always comes

across as a sop. We all suspect anyway that the fashion editors who run such pieces in the first place would have a nervous breakdown if they even bulging out of their size 8 Gucci

But eight milthis country are,

apparently, a size 16 or over: Catering for them, then, is not so much a case of special pleading, as a canny recognition that there is a sizeable gap in the market. The contempo-. everything be seen as a moral. agenda, a political crusade, but it should be made absolutely clear that Encore magazine (i am not sure about the significance of the title -- a plea for second helpings, maybej makes no such claims: it is purely a commercial enterprise. Not a newsstand title, but an own-label magazine from Evans (which used to be called Evans Outsize), it is designed solely to sell more of its clothes.

We shouldn't, then, be surprised if a shop that makes inthes for warners of size 16 to

od, how refreshing it is to open a glossy models featured are all nearer a size 16 than a size 32) brings out a magazine to help them tofeel good about it, but it isextraordinary how this fact is leapt upon for signs of deeper meaning. The waif gives way as a new in is a common interpretation: Perhaps this can be put down to wishful thinking, because it ain't going to happen. The fat activists can

trumpet this much as the like, but no one is ever going to be convinced that it is better to be fat than thin. I think it is very important, that, women do see it is possible to look wonsize 10, but that's

not quite the same thing. The difficulty. apart from anything else, is that the women who look good Ladenis, one of the models and sion of my late maternal grandmother, surely came by her size honestly) is a beautiful woman; her size is irrelevant. And perhaps that's a key issue in all this. Women care desperately about their and other women's weight men are much less bothered.

Like all women I have had my thinner times and my fatter (right now, postpartum, I'm about in the middle) and at my heavier it is the scrutinising eye of other women that I fear. Women can calibrate another's weight to

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all, a size 16. We all know that being larger isn't a sign of hideousness or of moral failure, but still defensiveness remains. Unfortunately, people are rarely honest about that. They prefer (and per-haps understand-abity) to insist that with their weight, it is the pressure from everyone else — the magazines,

the billboards, the couturiers that makes them unhappy. Up to a point, they must be right. It is ghastly not to be able to find anything to wear just because you don't fit into the fantasy shape of some designer who drun for cover if . he ever caught sight of a real bosom, but that's not the

doesn't come into it."

I suspect it is harder to see

someone's attractiveness when

they get over a certain size, but

as every woman who's ever

put on weight knows to chant:

Marilyn Monroe was, after

The truth is we all feel better thinner rather than fatter. I took the line of the fat-activists in good faith until I put on three stone after the birth of my first child. And it was hell. I think it is wrong for fat to be demonised: it wasn't the end of the world, but I felt an awful lot better about myself when I'd lost it all: l suspect everyone does.

These days one is frowned upon for saying such a thing. Even to declare that one might be happier thinner (by which, I should add, I don't mean anorexically thin, just a size one can be by eating normally) is seen to be unpalatably

within an ounce. But I have judgmental. Somehow the fat never met a man who was activists want it both ways: they want to be fat-by-choice and fat-as-victim. And even much troubled by a woman's fluctuating mass. Luckily, I learnt this lesson young. I was more muddled is the desire to at a party with a boylinend declare size irrelevant, not to cling to it as a defining feature, the force-over to all the other women in the room. "Do you as if the fatness itself were think she's pretty?" I asked some politically charged, ideoabout one girl there. "No," he replied. "But." I countered, logically welded bond. And for all that attractiveness may not be in indirect ratio to bodyweight (or otherwise), I sne's got a very good figure." You can't say things like that," he told me. "Someone's suspect that "size doesn't matter" is no truer when trotted either attractive or they aren't. That's all there is to it: size out to placate women as to soothe men. It does matter, but

most significantally to our-For all the ideologically sound sloganising, the real truth is that women do feel awful about themselves when

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they're overweight and it is the self-hatred, the selfflagellation and the self-disgust that makes them unhappy, not the projected judgment of other people. I don't deny that there is a gross intolerance of wodeemed to have fallen at some notional aesthetic fence: that is undeniably distasteful.

Fat can be, as Susie Orbach (who is not fat) famously declared, a feminist issue. But it's a lot more besides. Of course, we know it is overeating that makes you fat.

but it is what leads women to overeat which is the problem. It is a vicious circle: you feel bad about yourself so you overeat and so you feel bad about yourself, and so on ad often literally - nauseam. Maybe if those over a size 16 or 18 can open a magazine and see people of the same size looking wonderful, they will feel less alienated than when staring balefully at the punishing figures of the more skeletal Fashion is aspirational, but there is no

reason why fatter women can't aspire to look good as well. You can defend, celebrate and admire as much as you want (and I do want) but for ourselves, thanks very much, we'd rather be thin: and isn't that the truth?

MOFRON Why fashion is about being thin, by Mary Quant



Xenophobia keeps us buying

## Meet Johnny Foreigner

We may

laugh,

the joke

on us

ty may have its sig-nature music — the theme from The Mission but it has not selected its official beverage. It might do well to choose Blackcurrant Tango, an alarmingly purple soft drink. The drink's TV advert, which has been accused of being anti-European and xenophobic, plays on the same attitudes that members of

the party appear to hold.

The advert has already concerning xenophobia to the Independent Television

Commission, It features an office worker reacting to a complaint about the drink from a French student French". He marches to the white cliffs of Dover, where he enters a boxing

ring surround

ed by hordes waving Union Jacks. He then shouts, "Come on France ... Come on Europe ... Come on the world ... I drink Tango ... Come and get mel" Above him, three fighter jets prepare to Continent.

Edward McMillan-Scott, the Conservative MEP for North Yorkshire, said that he was saddened by the advert. "It is symptomatic of the attitude to Europe encouraged by Britain's yellow press," he said. But Tim Devlin, MP, the vicechairman of the All Party Group for France, found it funny. "I think the average Frenchman would like it and laugh."

The problem word is "average". Much advertising portrays the "average" foreigner. Take the Carling

Germans rushing to occupy the best poolside spot. They were defeated by an Englishman who bounced his towel across the pool to unfurl onto the best sun lounger. All this to The Dambusters theme. That advert attracted 33 complaints to the ITC.

But it is not just the Germans who are stereotyped. If our view of the verts, then we would expect the "average" French person's day to run thus: Wake

up, organise a blockade of the Channel ports

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ed by your daughter and son-in-law's lateness by their offer of cheap wine -

It is our view of foreigners that makes The Referendum Party's latest advert so successful. Under the words, "Meet the British Government", it shows the 20 EU Commissioners. under which is listed their nationalities. "Disgraceful," the reader is supposed to think, "These are nearly all Johnny Foreigners!"

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# Dying for one's country



POETRY AND REMEMBRANCE

Starting today: Kenneth Baker MP's selection of war poems from his new anthology. Part 1: Melville and the American Civil War

orace himself had served as a soldier in the civil war that followed Julius Caesar's assassination and, having committed himself to Brutus, he had been on the losing side at the battle of Philippi (42 BC). The ode of his, which contains the words Dulce et decorum est pro patria mori, is the classic expression of the most noble justification for war. Jonathan Swift translated this as:

How blest is he, who for his Country dies: Since Death pursues the

Coward as he flies.

It was a duty to die for one's country, for the nation was greater than the individual. The Latin line has been chiselled into innumerable war memorials and paraphrased by leaders throughout history, both to encourage men to make the supreme sacrifice and to console the bereaved.

For many, going to war has

been a joyous and uplifting business. Ben Jonson reminded a friend that fighting revives "man's buried hon-

Julian Grenfell, who was to be killed by shrappel in May, 1915, wrote to his mother about his own experience of fighting: "I adore war. It is like a big picnic. I have never been so well or so happy."

Even after five months in the trenches, warfare had kept for him the air of a knightly adventure; but for most that spirit was soon to sink beneath the mud of Flanders.

In the American Civil War.

Herman Melville saw four regiments of Union troops marching out of town, "with fifes, and flags in mottoed pageantry... like the gods sublime". These same soldiers were packed into boats on the Potomac River, and attacked by Confederate forces at Ball's Bluff: a thousand were killed.

The Faber Book of War Poetry is available to readers of The Times at the special reduced price of £17. a saving of £3 off the publisher's price. To order, call The Times Bookshop on 0345 660916



A child pays tribute in the Field of Remembrance in the garden of St Margaret's Church, Westminster Abbey



Recruiting for the Confederate Army, Woodstock

HERMAN MELVILLE

#### Ball's Bluff

A Reverie

One noonday, at my window in the town,
I saw a sight - saddest that eyes can see Young soldiers marching lustily
Unto the wars,

With fifes, and flags in mottoed pageantry.

While all the porches, walks, and doors

Were rich with ladies cheering royally.

They moved like Juny morning on the wave,
Their hearts were fresh as clover in its prime
(It was the breezy summer time),
Life throbbed so strong.

How should they dream that Death in a rosy clime Would come to thin their shining throng? Youth feels immortal, like the gods sublime.

Weeks passed; and at my window, leaving bed.
By night I mused, of easeful sleep bereft,
On those brave boys (Ah Wart thy theft):
Some marching feet

Found pause at last by cliffs Potomac cleft;
Wakeful I mused, while in the street
Far footfalls died away till none were left.

(October 1861)

# Celebrating the discreet charm of retro chic

he news that the Chrysler Corporation has adopted the 2CV as its flagship, or rather flagcar, for the emerging markets of China, India and South America heralds what may prove to be an explosion of industrial grave-robbing as 20th-century design classics, previously consigned to the design dustbin, are reworked for a millennial market apparently bereft of new ideas.

When it first appeared in 1948, the 2CV's designer, Pierre Boulanger, decreed that

retro style is the rage. Giles Coren looks at our obsession with the near past it should be able to carry a press release. Considerably Surfing on a crest of Burt Inished Russell Hobbs ke

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From 'classic' toasters to Burt Bacarach and Bakelite telephones,

farmer, a few chickens, and a nearer to the motorcycle, some basket of newly hatched eggs Ridiculed at conception, and safely across a ploughed field. The new version, known as the mourned only by students and scrap merchants when Euro-CCV, comes with a more prosaic marketing pitch: "It is pean safety regulations sent it to the guillotine in 1990, the a people's car for an expandtioned between a motorcycle and a traditional entry-level clusively proves that you have only to change the blurb, and time can be made to stand still. car or truck," says a Chrysler

Surfing on a crest of Burt Bacarach records, hipsters, analogue watches and telephones with letters on, we, the omnipotent consumers, are about to take a trip through time, shelling out again for the very things we were only recently so happy to give away to Oxfam.

For years we were satisfied with the standard chrome-

finished Russell Hobbs kertle, designed in 1956. And then, in the late 1970s, someone found a new plastic. Kernata acetal copolymer, which could withstand constant transition between coolness and great heat, and the plastic kettle was, born. With it came an entirely new concept the jug kettle. First launched by Redring Electrical in 1979 it has dominated the market ever since.

But, soft. What is the Russell Hobbs "Classic" kettle? It

glimmers on the newly un-Formica'd and hastily rewooded kitchen surfaces of every image-conscious middle-class home in Britain. It is none other than the same rusty old thing you binned in a plastic frenzy in the early 1980s, scrubbed and polished and back on the market. A similar reversal is taking place in the world of the toaster, too. If Roberts Radios, in such a high-tech world, can still rip out a profit selling woodentopped, 1940s style radios with a straight-up aerial, then why shouldn't someone bring out a crystal set again? Bang & Olufsen, perhaps? (Grundig, I can exclusively reveal, is about to launch a huge wooden televison with a tiny curved screen and no remote control. Best of all, it receives only in black and white, turning even the frothiest Keanu Reeves vehicle instantly into a film noir.)

Xerox, too, may feel tempted to resurrect the Roneo machine. Who did not thrill to the alcohol smell of those proto-photocopies they used to hand out in school, with their shiny paper and purple writing? To bring them back would have a fantastically positive effect on education. The ink

education. The ink used to fade after about 20 copies, so classes would have to go back to being that small again. And you wouldn't get cancer, as you do from a wordprocessor. Not to mention the benefits of the exercise you would get from cranking the handle. By way of competing, Canon could make a killing selling carbon paper to the Chinese, and those old-fashioned paper guillotines (the gerontocracy could use them for chopping off people's hands, if there wasn't any

paper). And what about Dymotape? Let us launch a counterrevolution against the miserable Post-it note. Lurking in attics all over this proud nation are millions of those squeezy gun things with the dial on the top that always gets one letter wrong which you don't notice until you have clicked out an entire sentence. Both the guns themselves, and the plastic strips with their embossed white lettering of bruised polymer, could easily



Radio retro: this Roberts model in black suede cost 18 guineas in 1960. Price today: £2,000

tic must-haves, once more.

It may sound absurd, but look at the Triumph Thunderbird. Once the icon and transport of a generation, and Marlon Brando's choice in The Wild One, it looked to be dead with the closure of Triumph in the 1970s. But Triumph has started up again, and is making the classic once more: same look, same badge, updated engine. It's on the cover of all the bike magazines, biker-boys in their for-

ties are chuffed to bits, and Pamela Anderson even showed up on one in Barb Wire.

It would be nice to see the same thing done for the original football.

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thing done for the original football. Away with these laminated, water-proof, lightweight things. Bring back the brown ones, stitched from strips rather than hexa-

gons of leather, that absorbed water, and couldn't be kicked off the ground after half-time on a wet day. What the modern game needs is a few broken neeks. And then you would have to bring back the old-fashioned boot. That would put paid to all this fancy, European-style passing. And who will stick their

And who will stick their neck out to bring back the Thermos flask with glass inside, that broke if you raised your voice near it?

It is surely no more ludi-

It is surely no more ludicrous a suggestion than the exhuming of the Bakelite dialtelephone. But that has reappeared, albeit with buttons in the finger holes, so you ger that retro-feel without the immense effort of dialling. Why not bring back the 1875 Remington Rand typewriter, and hook it up to a PC? You would get the familiar clang of typing and the cachet of a design classic, with the correctability of a

And, of course, it would be an ideal excuse to resurrect the SAVE £200 BEST DIGITAL DEAL



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# · 'I felt that I had met my destiny'

still remember in vivid detail the day she first read anything by Harold Brodkey. It was a short story about help-ing his adoptive mother to come to terms with dying. Ellen, who was grieving for her father, was affected so powerfully by it that she felt compelled to write to him.

"I couldn't imagine what to say, so I wrote: There doesn't seem to be anything to say but I love you. Please never stop

That was more than 20 years ago and Ellen, then a middle-aged, middle-class New York housewife and mother of three, did not feel sufficiently brave to post it. Brodkey, after all, was already a controversial figure of some renown, regarded by some as one of America's greatest living writers, and by others as an amusing fraud, on the ground that his output — a collection of short stories and articles — was exceptional but sl<del>e</del>nder.

Ellen tucked the letter in her desk drawer and read and reread A Story In An Almost Classical Mode, "shaking my head and trying to figure out how he did it. It touched me so much, it reached me in places I had never been touched

When the chance came a few years later to meet the author, she resisted. "I had read everything he had written by then, I was such an ardent admirer, but I didn't want to spoil the cerebral image I had

By this time she had forged a minor literary reputation of her own, writing a first novel which reserved favourable reviews. Along the way she had become were also friends of Brodkey's and who were insistent that she should meet him.

Eventually she gave in to curiosity and agreed to meet Brodkey at one mutual friend's Madison Avenue bookshop. Two weeks later she left her husband for him.

It was a fusion both physical and metaphysical. They were together 17 years, until he died of Aids in January this year.

Faced with this century's most

A middle-class, middle-aged New York housewife gave up everything to be with the writer Harold Brodkey, who died of Aids this year. Interview by Sandra Parsons

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shameful disease, he reacted in classic Brodkey fashion, with an article in *The New* Yorker entitled "To My Readers". It began: "I have Aids."

Although openly homosex-ual for long periods between the end of his first marriage in 1960 and his subsequent marriage to Ellen in October 1980, he was, he said, surprised, because: "I have not been exposed since 1977 ...."

Does Ellen believe that? "Harold always told the truth and if he had wanted to have an open When you relationship he would have said so. He didn't slink are living around, he was very courageous alout final ways. We were to-gether 17 years but things you we were never apart. We finally put aside decided to go to

separate gyms at

some point because

We were dever out

each other's sight. Although of course if you want to be unfaithful there is always an opportunity. But in fact there is no way either of us would, we wanted to be together and we trusted each other, although for people who have no experience of fidelity it will be impossible to convince

It is hard to imagine anyone being unfaithful to her, least of all Brodkey, whose lyrical account of dying is dedicated an unbearably moving testa-

ment to their love. At 62, she is a beautiful woman, graceful and straight-backed in a perfectly cut black trouser suit. Formidably strong, there is also a wisdom and gentleness there. It is impossible to better Brodkey's description of her: "A fineboned tyrant who looks a bit

like a small Garbo." She never doubted she had done the right thing in leaving

her husband for him. I felt I had met my destiny. Most of us live in a fictional universe, you tell yourself stories all day long, and that was the way lived up until I met Harold, who didn't have a fantasy life. He was the only person I have ever known who really lived in the present moment.

When you come across a person like this with whom you negotiate each minute, you can't say to such a person, what future do we have?

because he will say, 'how do I know?", which is the truth. He won't say, we'll be together until the day we die. Harold wouldn't do that polite lying. And so I felt I just had to be with him and I didn't ask how. We just did it. I think my children understood - two were

in college and one still in high school - although they were very upset. But as it turned out I think they have profited deeply from knowing Harold, who was a very profound influence."

Brodkey was hard work but Ellen did not mind. She looked after him in every way, run-ning the house, editing his writing, freeing him to think and to create. He had spent 29 years writing his first novel, The Runaway Soul, constantly perfection. It made him the reported inspiration for Jay McInemey's character Victor Propp in Brightness Falls, whose "reputation grew with each book he failed to publish".

When The Runaway Soul was finally published, in 1991, it received mixed reviews. Salman Rushdie hailed it as "an epic of the interior world ... worth a hundred safe little



"Most of us live in a fictional universe, and that was the way I lived until I met Harold. I had to be with him. I didn't ask how. We just did it"

American critic concluded: "Death would have been a smarter career move."

doubt that her husband possessed a huge talent, and voluntarily put her own liter-ary career on hold to dedicate herself to his. "He needed an inordinate amount of care, he spent all his time thinking and writing. He wanted an intelhis editor. I couldn't carry his language in my head and write my books as well, but in life we all make judgments and his work was more valuable than mine, that was my decision." When she learnt he had

well-made books", while one

wonderful sunset and I'd say, 'yes, very nice', but now we would lie stretched on the bed Ellen, however, had no holding hands, really seeing. It created a kind of profound happiness that I have not experienced before. The only

thing I can liken it to is when my children were born." He died at home, while Ellen was asleep - which she did only between midnight him the moment that he died, emperor on one of those coins, dying so courageously. Of November 11, E14.99

Aids she assumed tests would show she was HIV-positive, too. "I had to wait ten days to find out but I felt certain that I would be, so we decided we would straighten our affairs and then commit suicide together and not burden anyone with this nightmare. And then when I discovered that I was negative I was not as happy as I thought I would be. I was kind of horrified, but then relieved, because it meant I

could take care of Harold and

that he could have a civilised

death and some dignity. Te often said it's not so terrible. He didn't rage against dying. He never said, why me? Ever. He said to me, 'I'm 62 and I never expected to live this long. Don't look away, death is maybe the greatest adventure of all. Let's do this with our eyes open. Just watch in awe. watch me as I die and learn,

see what it's like." "I said, 'it's easy to be strong now, it's after that it's going to be difficult because I can't imagine a life that doesn't include you being here. He said: I'm not going to leave you, and you know it. I am going to be around.' And he is. I'm not a mystic, I'm not New Age, but I feel very keenly the quality of energy that was his, and I recall him. It's enormously comforting."

It took him almost three years to die, which might seem a prolonged agony, but in fact, says Ellen with gentle solemnity, they were profoundly happy.

"When you are living out final things you can put aside the pettiness of life. It focuses you incredibly on each other and you live in a cocoon of sorts, with nothing but thoughts of great beauty and great emotion around you. Before he was ill Harold was always calling me to look through the window at a

STOMOHHOW:

Harold Brodkey's testament to their love in his moving account of dying, dedicated to Ellen, my light

but I sort of knew it was going to happen when I was asleep in the other room because Harold was so perverse always. He died at five in the morning. The nurse came rushing in and said she had waited two or three seconds but there was no next breath. I went in and kissed him. and held his hand for a bit. He died

of wasting so he was extremely

his face was very stark and course I am lonely from time very beautiful and very

She continues to live in their Manhattan apartment, editing his work for a book of short stories. "But I am not completely miserable. It was awful, but I emerged with more strength because Harold showed me that dying is part of living. It was a privilege to

to time. In 62 years I never met anyone else who could match up to this man and I don't expect to ever again. The hardest thing about living alone is there is no one there to tell you the truth. But I had it for a while and I am grateful. more than you can know."

● This Wild Darkness: The Story of My Death, by Harold Brodkey,



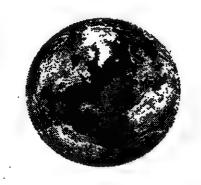


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DANCE

Darcey Bussell stretches her limbs as Covent Garden stages The Prince of the Pagodas **OPENS: Thursday** REVIEW: Saturday

## Leaving it to the music

DOUG VARONE has done rather well for himself on the two London festivals. Dance Umbrella showcases the cutting edge of contemporary choreography from both Brit-ain and abroad; the South Bank's American Independents celebrates America's "maverick" artistic voices. Unfortunately, Doug Varone and Dancers scores poorly on both

The programme the American brought on Friday consisted of four works set to the kind of music that has served

DANCE

Doug Varone Queen Elizabeth Hall

other choreographers well. But where they have responded to musical specifics with an equally specific dance language. Varone seems content to let the music do the work for him, churning out a succession of derivative choreography that amounts to little more than movement accompaniment. And since all the music was taped, the potential for exciting our ears, if not our eyes, was greatly diminished.

The bill opened with Aperture, a trio (set to Schubert's Moments Musicaux No 2) whose movement dynamic grows from a whisper to a wave but leaves no lasting impression. Motet, for four dancers to Mozart's Exsultate. Jubilate, is fluid, loose and voluble, but glides prosaically across the consciousness.

Varone himself took the stage for a duet with Gwen Welliver, In Thine Eyes, which uses Michael Nyman's Noises, Sounds and Sweet Airs. The style is staccato, the movements broken up into their component parts, the dancers, like mechanical dolls, trying to solve the puzzle of articulate physical communication. But this, like everything else, fails to advance a strong argument.

forceful punctuation, its momentum, its spaciousness and suspense all give dance-makers much to go on. Yet Varone's Rise has none of the edge and energy of Adams's wonderful music. What we get instead is t'ai chi in overdrive.

DEBRA CRAINE



# Journey into the past

Erasure

Teil Tennant of the Pet Shop Oasis-style guitar rock on Roys, a hand subjets are all the Boys, a band which sparkly one side and younger synthesizer trio Dubstar evoke in their more inspired moments, once remarked that one advantage of being pop rather than rock is not having to prove you can perform live. This is a lesson which these taciturn northern newcomers seem to have taken to heart.

Disgraceful and Not So Manic Now lost their lustre in the grand hall of Glasgow's Barrowland ballroom on Saturday: they merely failed to connect with the crowd. Then again, perhaps Dubstar's bewitching mix of luxuriant melody and sharp lyrical melancholy simply proved too subtle for devotees of Erasure's brash populism.

Yet even Erasure themselves seem to be losing their grip on popular taste nowadays. Top ten regulars for the past decade, they have recently found themselves squeezed out by the rise of

teen-pop acts on the other. With their last two

albums proving to be largely hit-free, eft-field affairs, this odd couple have taken the most dangerous step any pure pop band can take: they have grown up, trusting in their fans to nature with them. Sadly, it appears the fans want their old Erasure back.

Hence this greatest hits tour, which could be viewed as a salvage operation. on the duo's flagging career. Not that singer Andy Bell or computer boffin Vince Clarke are making any secret of their reduced circumstances - they have, after all, christened this "The Tiny Tour". Which indeed it is; their last nationwide jaunt, in 1992, packed out venues five times larger than this with a huge Broadway-style production. The Barrowland's show, in contrast, ran to two backing singers and a tacky set reminiscent of Top of the Pops performer and flamboy-

ant gay icon, to provide the dramatic interest. This he did, though his fake, hairy chest and lumbering ballerina moves were more pub stripper than pop superstar.

And while durable party anthems such as A Little Respect and Victim of Love were glowingly received, their presentation seemed laboured and haphazard. Most jarring of all was Clarke's electronic message board, which flashed the somewhat desperate suggestion "clap along if you like" during the duo's sombre new single, In My Arms. Few heeded his advice.

For the set's mid-section, Bell squeezed into a shiny, satin ballgown while Clarke abandoned his machines for an acoustic guitar. But the subsequent parade of largely faceless torch songs was, no pun intended, a drag. After that, fortunately, it was back to

fell to Bell, a natural again and the pair unleashed a volley the swooning Oh L'Amour, the romping Chains of Love and the soaring Blue Savannah. Here Erasure deliv ered a stream of simple, memorable hooklines and gushing, gospel-tinged harmonies. Significantly, though, most of these compact mini-operas date from their early albums, giving this heroic final sprint the slightly shopsoiled air of a rock reunion show.

Erasure will always entertain, and they retain a huge backlog of goodwill thanks to their unforced, common touch. Their imminent new album may with a return to mainstream chart success. But there is a limit to how long even the most affable of bands can rest on their laurels before becoming a nostalgic cabaret turn.

STEPHEN DALTON

## Steve's flying fur and feather land

WHEN You're Gorgeous climbed to No 3 in the singles charts, it transformed Baby figure into one of the unlikeliest stars of 1996.

Until recently, BabyBird's celebrity was confined to Jones's Sheffield bedroom, where he wrote and recorded 400 songs in the space of six years. But they and he went almost completely unnoticed until he hit upon the DIY notion of releasing five limited edition albums in 12 months. Now signed to a major label, BabyBird's "official" debut album, Ugly Beautiful, was

released last week.
You probably do not have to look much further than the album's title to find the secret to BabyBird's increasing appeal. Neither Jones nor the rest of his band looks like an obvious pop star. However, there seemed to be something about their big, burly figures that appealed to their Camden audience; it also allowed Jones to hurl a barrage of abuse at whomever he cared to, outstaring and outswearing anyone who dared to heckle him. Of course, Jones's verbal putdowns are an essential part of BabyBird's careful

**BabyBird** Electric Ballroom

cabaret - a kind of Mike Flowers Pops fronted by the most recent Prime Suspect hero, the Street. When he sang the lines: "I'm like a had day on your good, good night from the band's first hit single Goodnight, he not only gave the audience one of the two songs that many of them had paid specifically to hear, but also set the agenda for the

During the next hour, Jones watched the audience lap up his insults and his ridiculously catchy songs and, by the encore, he was sashaying triumphantly across the stage, singing "I don't need you", any intended irony left well

and truly behind. Returning to the stage for a second time to do the early single, Lemonade Baby, Jones sang the line "I'm so lucky. just like Kylie", in the tones of a man who has spent years waiting for his Warholian moment and is determined to enjoy every last second of it.

ANN SCANLON

## Durable formula

THERE is a strand of raucous, no-frills, British bluesground, but has never entirely invented by Free in 1968: Three decades and one anagram later, we have Reef.

Hailing from the West Country, and currently enjoy-ing their biggest hit yet, with their single Place Your Hands, Reef play a bit faster than Free and don't really go While their lyrics do not exactly tag them as a group of deep thinkers, and their look is unlikely to become associated with any fashionable trend, they are one of those ultraserviceable acts that could go mega at any moment, but will always thrive securely enough

on their own terms. On stage they have a guest" keyboard player. tucked away in the shadows, discreetly fleshing out the arrangements, but otherwise they stick to the generic lineup of guitar, bass, drums and vocals. Watching Reef through their paces makes you realise just how durable this ancient formula has

Reef Kilburn National

A preliminary burst of Place Your Hands and Good Feeling sends the hordes in the mosh pit at the Kilburn Natlonal into overdrive. The band then wade into a selection of new songs in which the rhythm section skilfully teases out the swing from some severely chunky, sledgeham mer riffs, while Gary Stringer hollers his bluesy melody lines like a man suffering a bout of high fever and the sore throat from hell. With his long hair, loose trousers and lazy, anthropoid strut. Stringer has bags of rough-hewn charisma. The set draws to a close with

an extended arrangement of Choose To Live, during which Kenwyn House conjures some impressively spacey feedback noises from his guitar while the band winds up to a monumental climax. A final, stonking version of Naked has the balcony floor bouncing worryingly like a swimming pool springboard.

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# The first quarter-century

Rodney Milnes sees Thomas Allen celebrate 25 years at Covent Garden

in a revival of Don Giovanni

wo quarter-century anniversaries converged at Covent Garden on Friday: 25 years of the Midland Bank Proms, and Thomas Allen's 25th year with the Royal Opera — this Giovanni was his 490th performance for the company. There was no hint of nostalgia in Jeremy Isaacs's presentation speech: there are plainly another 25 years left in the ever-youthful Allen, or as many as this great and generous artist cares to give us. And I trust the Midland Bank

Proms, one of the most enlightened acts of sponsorship, will continue ad infinitum. In 1971 the very principle of sponsorship was in its infancy. Colin Davis's joint musical directorship of Covent Garden and the BBC Symphony Orchestra gave birth to the idea, and the first ROH Prom was fact given as part of the Albert Hall series. The expense of removing the stalls seats and admitting 700 Prommers at 50p a throw was too much for the house to carry even in those days of comparatively generous subsidy; a sponsor had to be found.

Those present at Boris Godunov on July 26, 1971, will never forget it. No one quite knew how this weird experiment was going to turn out, least of all Boris Christoff in the title role. But the football-crowd roar at the curtain-call after the Coronation Scene surprised even that old trouper, whose eyes opened as wide as saucers: the rest of the performance was simply electrifying. And so on, for 25 years: near eyeball-to-eyeball contact between the best that opera and ballet can offer and an unstaffy audience thirsty for that best.

The list of Allen's achievements could easily take up the rest of this notice, but mustn't: not just his Mozart roles, his Budd, his Pelleas, his Onegin, his Posa, but his smouldery Patroclus in King Priam, and just about the creepiest Melot ever, decked out in a red-setter wig and Burne-Jones nightie in the memorable Peter Hall Tristan. And his should give masterclasses in

career management, having taken on new roles like Beckmesser and Don Alfonso at just the right moment, and adding two more next year. Morone in Palestrina and the Baron in

Chérubin. The future beckons. Don Giovanni remains one of his great parts, and the joy of Friday's performance was its utter freshness; you would never guess that he has been singing the role for 20 years. He was in marvellous voice, caressing La ci darem and the Serenade as only he knows how, and his subtle lightening of the "black" — literally — Schaaf production is all to the good. He remains a cold-blooded psychopath, but one with moments of humour and poisonous charm: his autopilot erotomaniac farewell to Donna Anna, which gives the game away, chilled the blood.

ut this was no one-man show: the rest of the castwas superb. Anthony Rolfe Johnson sang the first lines of both Ottavio's arias quite exquisitely, and went on from there. Felicity Lott, every note spot-on, made Elvira daffy and lovable, despite shortness of temper with her maid. Lucio Gailo's young, clever Leporello was fascinatingly unconventional. The Icelandic bass Tomas Tomasson made a notable house debut as Masetto and forged a riveting partnership with Alison Hagley's spitfire Zerlina; this marriage will be ex-tremely eventful. Robert Lloyd was the practised Commendatore, and Yvonne Kenny, while vocally not one of nature's Donna Annas, sang with characteristic musicianship.

The one disappointment was Dietiried Bernet's conducting, which fell between two stools: not the briskness we expect in Mozart nowadays, but gentle Viennese tempos of which he and the players failed to take advantage in matters of number, weight and rhythmical accent. It all sounded a bit ironed-out, with the musico-dramatic surface of the some barely ruffled.



Thomas Allen in the title role of Don Giovanni: "the joy of his performance was its utter freshness"

## Creativity of the outsiders

Hilary Finch reports on a festival celebrating the contribution Jews have made to Viennese artistic life

ienna 1900, "There was no place", wrote the writer and collector Stefan Zweig, "where it was easier to be a European." And nine-tenths of what the world celebrated as Viennese culture was, he pointed out, "a culture promoted, nurtured, or in some cases even created by Viennese Jewry".

It would have been easy to celebrate the gilded Jugendstil world of Schoenberg and Klimt, of Otto Wagner and Wittgenstein, of Freud, Kraus and Schnitzler. But the Festival of Austrian-Jewish Culture, organised by the Austrian institute in collaboration with the Bnai Brith Jewish Music Festival, and taking place in London until November 24, is very much about the present and the future; about issues at the heart of our own fin de siècle.

Jewish culture is experiencing a resurgence in Austria's capital. No one is talking about a renaissance of Vienna 1900 but, as Harry Weber's photographic exhibition at the Austrian Institute shows. there is quite a buzz. What accounts for the tenacity of Jewish culture in what has been, in its time, a virulently anti-Semitic city? Chaim Eisenberg, the Chief Rabbi of Austria, points out that it is not so much Viennese Jews who have clung to Vienna, as the constant influx of immigrants which has reinvigorated the

community's cultural life. Emil Brix, the director of the Austrian Cultural Institute who initiated the idea for the festival, emphasises the plurality of Viennese culture. For him, plurality and persecution are two sides of the same coin. "Only with the creative ten-

sion of a city like Vienna, with its fusion of cultural traditions, can something truly innovative be born. And with it, of course, come all the problems of others feeling estranged and threatened by something foreign, something difficult. People prefer to be comfortable in their culture. This has never been possible in Vienna."

The festival's wide-ranging. month-long programme of concerts, theatre, cinema, symposiums, literary evenings and exhibitions explores many of the paradoxes within this plurality. It is all very much a personal mission for Brix who. as a student in the early 1980s, felt conscious of how conservative, how provincial Vienna had become. We felt Vienna had to change, and such change was not possible from within, but only from trying to recreate old bonds. And most difficult, of course, was the bond with the Jewish people because we Central Europe-ans had killed the Jews."

Both Eisenberg and Brix are optimistic about the future, despite the rise of the far-right Freedom Party, which won 28 per cent of the vote in the recent Austrian elections to the European Parliament. "It's scary, but it's not a threat," Eisenberg says. "If the Freedom Party gets a million votes. we're not talking about a million Nazis. We must see things in a balanced way."

Brix says his country is facing the biggest challenge since the turn of this century. "We can and must change this plurality from something dangerous to something creative." • For more details about the Festival of Austrian-Jewish Cul-ture, telephone 0171-638 8891

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significantly to the total. One reason why Strathclyde Concerto No 10 should gain ready acceptance is that, without being excessively difficult, it is well calculated to display the virtuoso potential of a small prehestra. Subtitled Conserto for Orchestra, it addition tradition most familiarly represented by Bartok's late masterpiece which along with Schoenberg's Chamber Symphony Op 9, was clearly a model for

I have my doubts about the long-term durability of the perky little tune which emerges on piccolo near the beginning of the last of the three movements. What saves this finale is not so much its

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heroic timpani part as the slow moving undercurrent which surfaces in the middle and which remains briefly exposed at the very end after the festive activity has died

At the end of a concert in which Sir Peter Maxwell Da-vies conducted also a bustling account of Haydn's Symphony No 23 in G and Arve Tellefsen both directed the orchestra and played the solo part in an efficient performance of Mozart's Violin Concerto in G, the Strathclyde Concerto No 10 was well received by the audience in the Queen's Hall. Having observed the series of concertos come together over the past nine or ten years, they were no doubt happy to find that the once troublesome dislocation between the material and its treatment in these works has at last been resolved in a score as frank about its romantic inclinations as it is successful in realising them.

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#### IN THE second of his London Swedish Symphony Orchestra con-certs, Riccardo Chailly tackled Wagner and Schoenberg In Act 1 of Die Walküre he proved a less than perfect Wagnerite, but that hardly passion

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cast was solid. Wolfgang. Schmidt's tenor tended to set Dalayman possesses what must be the most natural at a throaty, abrasive forte, Sieglinde voice around. She but he is a genuine Siegmund. At first a little hectoring, he poured out streams of sensuous tone, from glearning top to a mezzo-like lower register, settled down to sing with and brought the essence of power, and showed musicianship in the quiet opening of his Winterstürme. The Norwe-Sieglinde's character to life, communicating her awakengian bass Gudjon Oskarsson ing passion with a mixture of was in resonant voice as radiant poise and excitement. Hunding, but his carefully The rest of the LSO's mini-

sculpted singing deprived the character of much of his menace. Chailly seemed content to give a concert perfor-mance of the score, without dramatic urgency to make it sound like the first act of a great opera. He drew excellent playing and favoured big or-chestral sound, and it was only towards the end that he managed to raise the emotional temperature.

Wagner to early Schoenberg is a small step, and even Chailly's Verklärte Nacht sounded a little cool and calculating. The LSO strings played with luminosity, allow-ing Chailly to shape a cogent account which flowed from darkness to light.

JOHN ALLISON

## Son rises in the West

ONE of the pleasures of these plays is watching the tricks of the playwright's craft mirror the political cunning of the characters. Hal's playful denunciation of Falstaff while acting his father, for example, prefig-ures his actual denunication with the inevitability of night following day.

Stephen Unwin's production for English Touring Theatre relishes the paradoxes, and adds a significant one of its own in having real-life father and son (Timothy and Sam West) play surrogate father and surregate son (Falstaff and Hal). We are first shown the king (majestic Gary Waldhorn) with old-fashioned pomp and grandeur at court, and then his son cavorting with thieves in Eastcheap. But from the first, Hal's reserve, even in the middle of a great joke,

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marks him as Henry's son rather than Falstaff's. The clarity of Unwin's production is admirable both for communicating a plot full of historical complexities and for the actors' speaking voices (only a few of the minor characters are difficult to hear). Unwin's approach is conventional. almost old-fashioned, in order to allow Shakespeare's verse and the actors' skill to stand alone. But what the production gains in clarity it loses in fun. Even in their most

seemingly carefree days.

Falstaff's gags lack hilarity. Perhaps it is that the production takes a hard moral line on Falstaff, or perhaps West Sr is taking a back seat to allow his son to shine (which he does). His performance is always excellent

but almost too understated.

Pamela Howard's enchanting designs and Paule Constable's exquisite lighting sketch in the numerous locations to maximum effeet. When Hotspur (a disappointing Paterson Joseph) meets Glendower he does so under a starry sky with a few cushions and a sheepskin thrown down around a fire — a romantic setting for a rebel conference. With Corin Buckeridge's uplifting between-scenes music. they brighten up even the dullest stretches of this Shakespearean marathon.

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### Matthew Parris



Because we are masters of all we survey, we forget how our dominion is likely to end

nyone who has stood A at dawn among the fortifications of Machu Picchu in Peru will understand the little shudder which follows. To feel the confidence that breathes through the handiwork of any great civilisation now wrecked is to pause and wonder about the final prospect for our own.

News emerged last week that carbon-dating of the hull of a Greek ship sunk off Turkey suggests a technological and cultural sophis-tication in existence 3,300 years ago - long before we had supposed. A Times leading article rejoiced at the find. But why rejoice? If other civilisations reached so high so early and came to nothing, what hope is there

In a speech made years ago. Chris Patten remarked (I recount the passage from memory) that if a spacecraft visiting our planet in the centuries before Christ had touched down in China. its captain would have encountered a highly developed culture: a people with an ordered system of govern-

ment and a fine body of recorded knowledge and achievement: cultural, technical. mathematical, legal and scienti-fic. Why, they had even invented gunpowder. They made better

fireworks - sadly - than they do now. Such people themselves to be masters of their universe, lords of

If the same spacecraft had then touched down in Britain, it would have encountered a few savages daubed in mud. On what rational basis, Mr Patten mused, have concluded otherwise than that the Chinese had established an irreversible lead? Were they not within sight of domination of their

When Daniel O'Connell, an Irish Catholic, ridiculed Disraeli's Jewish ancestry. the MP snapped back: "Yes, I am a Jew, and when the ancestors of the Right Honourable gentleman were bruial savages in an unknown land, mine were priests in the temple of Solomon." The repost squashed

O'Connell, but it provokes a more reflective thought: how had Solomon's kingdom (if not his people) vanished? We shrink from articulating it. but I think we believe - we certainly act as though we believe that our own command is now unlikely ever to be lost. That is not to say we do not enjoy the frisson of apocalyptic discourse, or that we never tremble at the possible consequences of our own sheer strength: global warming, ozone depletion. nuclear holocaust . . . these are real fears; but we believe ourselves capable of preventative action.

Nor is it to say we always approve of the way

our civilisation is going. We diagnose moral ills, quail at unwelcome trends in sociery. But to bewail what our world is coming to is differ-ent, though it may not sound different, from an

honest belief that it is com-

ing to an end. Few act as

though they believe that. Why not? If Solomon's temple came down; if the Sumerians and the Egyptians faltered; if the Greeks came to naught; if Rome fell: if China reverted; if the Incas imploded: if the strange towers and fortifications you will find in the Zimbabwe ruins so overshadow the primitive culture which was encountered squatting in their shade. why should we prove un-precedentedly different?

Do we think that even if empires rise and fall (as the British Empire did), there is an underlying, unimpeded progress, because an empire can only be superseded by a superior empire? This consolation is simply not true. The Ro-mans yielded only to a dark

age: Chinese civilisation did

not so much yield as crumble; the Incas had already passed their zenith when Looking Spain struck. In back on the every case, much ruins of that had been learnt was simply other iost - forgotten

civilisations, what hope can we see for ours?

makes retreat impossible - that none of these previous civilisations had gained a sufficiently complete mastery of their world to entrench themselves in the way that we suppose "Western civilisa-

- obliterated.

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T suspect this is what we do think: that we know L so much, and can do so much, and have recorded our knowledge so indelibly. that even if we were defeated in battle by another power, our conquerors would simply inherit our capabilities, stand on our shoulders and carry on. Predecessor civilisations never lit, with their small candles. more than a corner of the engulfing darkness; the candles could be blown out, and were. But our electric lighting, we think, has floodlit so wide a space that the only question left is who occupies

could forget how to generate That may be true. I only remark that to a Chinese emperor, a Roman Caesar, or an Andean Sun King, the world must have looked like that too. What he could see, being all he could see, must have seemed very extensive.

it. Nobody, we think, could

turn off the lights. Nobody

The confidence of each, in turn, proved wrong. How likely is it that our own is right? How likely that we unlike the captain of that ship sunk off Turkey, loaded with ivory, jewellery and precious metals — can have the least idea of where the

## Tony Blair says new Labour's task is to provide opportunities — and see that they are taken

Today we announce the re-sults of the Labour Party's ballot of all its members on the draft manifesto. It is both our covenant with the British people and our covenant with ourselves,

The document describes itself as unhesitatingly and uncompromisingly"new Labour. It affirms support for the radical changes within the party, and the belief that it is possible, by stripping away outdated ideology and applying traditional values in a modern way, to forge a new programme for British politics.

It goes into greater policy detail than any opposition party has done before, and makes it clear that we will stand for election as new Labour and govern as new Labour.

Contrary to the arrogant assertions of many on the Right, the rebirth of the political Centre and Centre-Left is not just about accommodating the thinking of the Right. It is, in part, a recognition that we have entered a new phase of political debate and

There has been a revolution in the world of work. There is far greater awareness of the global nature of the economy and the competitive challenge that this poses. There has been reaction against rampant individualism, the atomisation and division of society, the narrow self-interest that characterised the 1980s and helped to fracture our society. The quality of life people enjoy is not determined only by the wage-packet, but by whether their children can play safely in the park, whether they can walk in the streets at night, whether the environment is polluted and whether elderly relatives are

properly cared for. The public is also more acute than the Conservative Party about the country's economic performance. A trade deficit with Europe despite a 20

# Towards a decent, responsible society

doubling of public debt so that we now spend more in interest payments than on defence and law and order, and our still low levels of productivity are fundamental problems as yet

The world over, parties of the Centre-Left are articulating a new approach, and many see new Labour as leading the way. Economic policy is based on understanding and embracing the global economy, a commitment to financial stability. and advocacy of an economic role for government - not state control or corporatism, but the equipping and preparing of people and businesses for economic changes, by education and infrastructure.

I reject the claims of pessimists who say the next century will be the era of Asia. We have the potential to create a new age of achievement in Britain. The key is education. It will be my priority in government. We have lived for too long with a system good for the few but not for the majority. That is why we have made clear and detailed proposals for smaller classes in infants' schools, the linking of every school to the information superhighway, more and bester nursery education integrated childcare, home-school contracts, broader A-levels, new standards for head teachers, reform of teacher training and funding for

higher education, as well as a University for Industry to help adults to learn new skills and so earn more. We are also reaching for a different way to define and implement the

notion of a modern civic society. This is where the so-called "morality" debate in British politics is located. Reading the papers of the past few weeks. I have been struck by how depressingly difficult it is to conduct such a debate in Britain. conduct such a debate m Britam.
Immediately, there is an attempt to
say that politicians talking of these
things are "jumping on the bandwagon" or trying to govern private
morality. Yet in our draft manifestin,
written months ago, we say: "We
require a moral purpose and direction presently lacking. We reject not
tolerance, but enterme libertariantolerance, but extreme libertarianism. We need principles of conduct and governance by which we can construct a modern civic society. The essence of it is rights and duties

going together." More extraordinary still was the briefing from the Conservative Party in Friday's Times. Given poll evidence that Labour is ahead on these questions, the Tories respond by saying "We'll'drop them, then It's the economy from now on." Two weeks ago, the fractured society was the key theme of the Queen's Speech; now it is dropped. And they accuse us of being cynical and driven by polls! The idea of a new social morality

torian hypocrisy. We do not want to return to the old prejudices about sex, sexuality or the role of women. Neither do we believe that supporting the family means attacking lone parents, the vast bulk of whom have endured the pain of divorce or separation. The idea is to create a decent, well-ordered and stable society for today - a modern view of citizenship. And government

o decent society can exist with an underclass set apart from the mainstream. To rebuild comwe need to provide opportunity and to demand responsibility. Children should grow up with an expectation of quality in educa-tion, irrespective of wealth, yet 56 per cent of 11-year-olds are now below the required standard in English and Maths. Young people should not be left on the dole after leaving school, yet there are 600,000 under-23s presently unemployed. One in five non-pensioner homes in Britain have no one working at all. Too many inner cities are derelict. Without hope, we will never teach responsibility.

There must be a comprehensive attack on crime and its causes, instead of a search for easy headlines. At every level; we have proposed reform - juvenile offending, drift knives and firearms, crime prevention, prison reform dealing with anti-social neighbours. A month ago I suggested that every government department should review its policies department should review its paintes to see how they promote stronger families. We know that the stronger the family, the better a child's life chances are. Employers have a responsibility too to see how they can help men and women to balance family and working lives better, by family and working lives better, by looking at the hours and ways they work. And we can develop partner-ships to rebuild civic bonds. David Blunkett recently set out details of a citizen's service for "millennium volunteers", young people devoting time

to work for others.

All the way through, we are seeking to balance opportunity with responsibility as the only basis for a responsibility as the only basis for a modern -welfare state, recognising that we have a collective duty to help those at the bottom of society, but insisting also that those offered help have a duty to take it. We recognise that although we confinue to spend large sums of public money — £300 large sums of publ billion this year — we are not asking radical questions about how to spend it to best advantage. We are trying to

construct new rules, new principles to govern our relations with each other that are right for today.

There have been three phases in 20th-century politics. In the first, people believed that progress would be achieved by higger government by be achieved by bigger government. In against this in the name of the individual. In the third, we seek to create a society which acknowledges mutual rights and duties, not to hold back the individual, but as a necessary part of individual fulfilment. I don't pretend we have all the answers; but at least we are asking to

## Has Blair this much flair?

Peter Riddell

says Labour has

more to prove

Democrats

than America's

ritish politicians are in danger of misinterpreting tomorrow's American elec-tions, Bill Clinton's imminent re-election is already being" seen as a portent of a Labour victory next year. But the Blairites are wrong to believe that Clinton's strategy is sufficient for success here. Equally, the contrarian view of Tory strategists — that a Clinton win is good news for John Major rests too much on economic determinism to be convincing. My impression from nine days in America is that a Clinton victory would be more ambiguous and possibly more transitory than will be claimed on Wednesday.

Transatlantic comparisons are of-ten treacherous. In 1992, the Right drew comfort from Mr Major's victory in April, only to have their hopes dashed when George Bush was swept from office in November. The differences were greater than the similarities. Now, it is too easy to say that Clintonism equals Blairism. Of course there are close parallels - both in campaigning techniques, such as the single-minded refusal to be pushed "off message", and in the centrist strategy of abandoning past "liberal" or leftwing positions and making only limited promises. But the political

context is not the same. Mr Clinton is, after all, an incumbent, while Mr Blair is a challenger. One has to warn against change, while the other has to win support for it. Mr Clinton's expected re-election rests on the strength of the economy. a sense that America is on the right track, and on the mistakes of the Republicans. Helped by the shrewd monetary management of Alan Greenspan, Mr Clinton can claim credit for cutting the budget deficit.



The President has had the crucial advantage of creating fear about his opponents. The House Republicans under Newt Gingrich overreached themselves after their great victory of two years ago. Their revolutionary rhetoric and intransigence during the shutdowns of the federal government last winter enabled the Democrats to portray them as extremists threatening Medicare health programmes and social security pensions. Speaker Gingrich has become a bogey. These fears have been aggravated by Bob Dole's inability to present a coherent alternative to Clinton. Some of his remarks are baffling to anyone living outside Washington.

So a Clinton victory would be confirmation of the status quo. Brian Mawhinney and Danny Finkelstein. who heads the Conservative research department, drew some comfort on a recent visit to Washington. Rising living standards do in time affect

#### A HODE TOWNSHIPS

intentions, so the Tories should adopt their own version of the Democrats' 1992 refrain "It's the economy, stupid". The Tories also believe they have a sharper line of attack on their opponents - "New Labour, New Danger" - and more distinctive positive themes, such as the "opportunity for all" proposals for education and welfare, than Mr Dole has offered. The Republican experience offers warnings for the 'slash and burn" Right in Britain. Attempts to roll back government will not succeed if they provoke fears about popular programmes, in turn making voters sceptical about the board.

More sotto voce, the Tories say that sleaze does not seem to have damaged Mr Clinton. His success four

years ago in surviving such charges has created a protective shield. No one regards him as a saint, but the attacks over Whitewater have been seen as heavily partisan. However, more recent charges over dubious, and possibly illegal, foreign contributions to his campaign have made an impact in the last few days, narrowing Mr Clinton's poll lead and boosting Ross Perot. A re-elected President Clinton could face a series of very damaging investigations into his conduct in office.

The Tories' problem is that, unlike Americans, British voters do not yet give credit to the party in power for the economic recovery. And, after 174 years in office, the Conservatives are much more vulnerable than Mr Clinton to a "time for a change"

Mr Clinton has not relied solely on optimism about the economy. The campaign speeches that I heard him

government can do to promote national renewal - through expanded training, high technology and strengthened families, through proposals on school discipline, and banning tobacco advertising for the young. He has successfully put forward a programme of family values and morality by making it specific and not threatening. He may have rejected big government, but he still believes in small-scale activism, the government as regulator and initiator. That is very like Mr Blair. But they both face tight fiscal constraints. Mr Clinton has accepted budgetary guidelines which would severely constrain his pledges to focus on education, technology and law enforcement. The only alternative is the kind of large cutbacterin Medicare and other entitlement programmes that he and the congressio-Democrats have opposed throughout the campaign.

THE

onsequently, Mr Clinton's mandate will be greatly qualified - especially if, as looks increasingly likely, the Republicans narrowly retain control of one House of Congress or both. The elections will not resolve any of the arguments about the scale of government. The drive to redesign the welfare state has stalled, rather than stopped. The reaction against the Gingrich revolution has showed the limits of what is achievable in the short term. But necessary reductions in the costs of Medicare and social security have only been delayed. More striking are the many state and local initiatives all over America on welfare reform and promoting choice in schools, even in previous Democrat strongholds in

The elections are therefore likely to have a double-edged significance for Mr Blair. Bill Clinton's tactics work, but the strategy is essentially defensive and rhetorical - talking of building a bridge to the 21st certairy but making only micro-provides Unlike the President, Mr Blair not only has to counter the Tories' asset of a strengthening economy, but has also to show how Labour would really make a difference - to establish the case for change. He has to take more risks than Mr Clinton.

## Tory history

then into clear blue water. Now here comes the newest Tory theme which is expected to be carried through to the general election: Britain in the 1990s is like England at the end of the 17th century.

The theory, which will be cropping up in ministerial speeches from the middle of the month, is this: in the time of Queen Elizabeth I, England was a pioneering, buccaneering nation from which Sir Francis Drake, Sir Walter Raleigh and others of their kidney set off round the world to trade, loot and generally bustle in a spirit of free enterprise.

Now we are enjoying another Elizabethan age, this time under Queen Elizabeth II. Inventors, businessmen and extravagant fashion designers are the new Drakes, Raleighs and Sidneys. The rhethoric, of course, has mildly

Euro-sceptic undertones. This idea is said to be the product of Foreign Office history buffs, who believe that if the Tories are to evoke earlier centuries, Elizabethan initiative is more attractive than Victorian morality. "Expect to hear a lot about this," says one think we might really strike a

Italy and its European neighbours should take cover. The eponymous two fat ladies of the cookery programme, who have just finished their first series, have been encouraged by viewing figures and are considering taking their show



Elizabeth: Tory role model

to the Continent on the route of the

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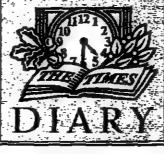
STAFF AT the Royal Geographical Society are putting clothes-pegs on their noses now that Sir Ranulph Figures has announced that he will be going on another Antarctic expedition. He has again agreed to donate his underwear to the society on his return.

A geographer recalls the last time: "When Ran gave us his smalls they were a bit grubby, but he had worn them for about four months. It took us many washes to get them spanking clean for display here along with the sledge and skis.

"Most recently we sent his underwear to Hull for an exhibition of clothing, though they could probably have walked there on their own," he says with nose wrinkled. We are looking forward to getting a more up-to-date pair."

Basta!

DAVID "Egghead" Willetts, the Prime Minister's favorite guru, has acquired a new nickname. His friends are calling him O.J., in reference to next week's forthcoming television "trial" over his con-



MP Neil Hamilton.

The Paymaster General himself, however, seems unfazed by proceedings. He is still busy picking holes in Labour's anti-Tory slogans. With reference to the latest, Enough is enough", he says scathingly: "I think they mean Sufficient is sufficient"."

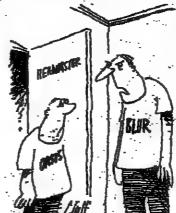
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WITH WOOLLY hats and snowboots, apple checked foresters have been trudging through conifer woods outside Oslo to select the Trafalgar Square Christmas tree presented annually by Norway to Britain as a token of friendship.

The news fills Terry Wogan, the chirpy Irish broadcaster, with dread. Last year he performed a

live broadcast of the felling ceremony in driving sleet to raise money for Children in Need. "I was in the hands of the British Embassy," he tells me, by way of explanation for his sufferings. "A senior consul was driving me to the tree-cutting ceremony where a large crowd and a choir were waiting. He got lost in the busy traffic of downtown Oslo - two hand carts and a wheel barrow. He didn't have a map or a phone and he hadn't a clue where e were going.'

The diplomat finally delivered our hero to his destination a couple



"I want a word about your aniform, Biglia'

of hours into the broadcast. The choir bravely sang an encore and the tree was finally felled by frostbitten foresters as Wogan talked the audience through the ceremony. He is not repeating the exercise this year: "No. I'm taking my listeners to Heil — apparently it's also in Norway."

Table talk

WHILE Diana, Princess of Wales was wowing Australia last week. the Prince of Wales discreetly hosted a most glittering event at St James's Palace on Thursday, for the tenth anniversary of SANE, the mental health charity of which he is

patron. Majorie Wallace, the chief executive, says: "We had four ambassadors including United Arab Emirates and Russia, four European crowned heads and a host of chairmen of international companies. As it was Halloween, I told everyone that the trick was that they had to pay £5,000 per table and the treat was that they would be able to listen to Lesley Garrett, the opera

● JIM CARREY, America's highest-paid film star, popped into Lon-don last week on Concorde with 11 friends to perform a recording of



Jim Carrey: amused :

Beatles songs. The highlight of the trip was not his £3.500-a-night suite in the Lanesborough Hotel, but a romantic dinner he witnessed at the next table at San Lorenzo, a favoured dining fount of the rich and royal. Carrey fait a retreat when smooch turned to argument and the lady emptiest a bottle of red wine over her compan-

ion's head

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## **EUROPE'S RASH PROMISES**

Pensions are another reason to stay out of monetary union

Will British taxpayers end up paying for the pensions of the Germans, Italians and French? This was the provocative question raised last week by a report of the Commons Social Security Committee on the immense deficits of state pensions schemes in the future European monetary union. There are three separate questions involved in this complex issue. First, is the pensions problem really much more serious in continental countries than it is in Britain? Secondly, are continental countries likely to do something to solve this problem in the next few years? Thirdly, will joining the single currency

expose Britain to Europe's unsustainable pension costs? On the first question the answer is clear. According to calculations published in May by the International Monetary Fund, in order to meet their present pensions promises, the German and French Governments would both have to increase their taxes by 3.4 per cent of GDP (equivalent in British terms to £25 billion annually or 11 pence on the standard rate of tax). In Britain, by contrast, the gap is a negligible 0.1 per cent.

There are, however, numerous mechanisms by which governments can wriggle out of their promises on pensions. These are not legally-binding obligations comparable to repaying government bonds. State pensions can be reduced, indexation can be limited and retirement ages can be raised, as they have been in Britain. But is it likely such reforms will be implemented as decisively in Continental Europe as they have been since 1979 in Britain? There is no sign in Europe of a major change away from paternalist welfare thinking of the kind that occurred in Britain with the election of Margaret Thatcher, and still less of the tough leadership she displayed. And none of the continental countries, apart from Holland, has anything like the private-sector: pension funds built up in Britain in the postwar decades. Continental workers would thus suffer greater hardship than Britons if

their state pension schemes were whittled away. Furthermore, with low rates of inflation, it may not be sufficient to reduce the indexation of future pensions. Pension payments may actually have to be cut over the years in cash terms. This is a reform from which even a leader of Baroness Thatcher's willpower might have flinched.

It does seem plausible, therefore, that continental governments will meet pension promises by raising taxes and engaging in more government borrowing. How, then, would Britain be affected? Higher government borrowing would tend to push up interest rates by increasing investors' fears of inflation. These fears would partly offset the supposed anti-inflationary credibility of the new single currency, and thus the hopes that Britain would have lower interest rates in EMU than outside.

An even more direct threat would arise from the pressure in Europe to pay for pensions through higher taxes. High-tax countries could step up demands for tax "harmonisation" across Europe. They might accuse Britain of "social dumping" if it undercut them with low rates of tax.

The key question is whether Britain would be more vulnerable to such pressure if it joined the single currency. The answer must be yes. By joining EMU, Britain would be forced to accept the German-inspired fiscal stability pact". This would, for the first time, give Brussels direct power over national fiscal policy, backed up by huge fines. Although the present stability pact covers only fiscal deficits, it concedes the principle that fiscal policy in general is a matter of common concern". Just as the loss of national control over money is leading through the stability pact to the loss of control over fiscal policy, so the stability pact will lead inexorably to meddling by Brussels in national policy on tax. From there it will indeed be a short step to Britons paying higher taxes because of the extravagant

promises made in Europe on pensions.

### THE HEBRON BARGAIN

Arafat and Netanyahu cannot afford to play for time

The Middle East has not lacked visitors this exploiting international sympathy and weekend. On Friday, Yassir Arafat returned from a European tour to talk with Russian Foreign Minister, Yevgeni Primakis. New son Mandela has embarked upon his first tour of the region. Malcolm Rifkind ladd meetings with both Binyamin Netapyahu and Mr Arafat v sterday and stressed that Britain regarded all West Bank settlements as illegal. Thankfully, the British Afreign Secretary avoided the shameless posturing that Jacques Chirac raised to new heights.

The tourists have arrived at a critical time. The intensive efforts of the United States. which started with the Washington summit at the beginning of this month and continued for three weeks under the State Department mediator Dennis Ross, remain unrewarded. Israel and the Palestinian National Authority have still failed to produce terms by which the majority of Hebron will be transferred from Israeli control as initially agreed under the Oslo accords. In the absence of any agreement, tension in the territory itself grows eversharper. The death last week of Hilmi Shousha, an Il-year-old boy allegedly killed by the security chief of a Jewish settlement, came close to triggering a renewal of the violence that led to more than 100 deaths barely seven weeks ago.

Both sides have traded accusations over this impasse. Mr Arafat entered negotiations insisting that he would not change "a letter or even a comma" of the agreements signed with the previous Labour Government. He has blamed Mr Netanyahu's presistence on new security arrangements for the failure to confirm matters. The Prime Minister has blamed the Palestinians for delaying the dialogue, accusing Mr Arafat of

awaiting the end of the American election season that might allow President Clinton to take a harder line with the Likud leadership. None of this will do either man any good. Par all their hot language, Mr Arafat can Palestinian state without the co-operation of the Israeli Prime Minister, just as Mr Netanyahu needs the Palestinian leader to prevent the arrival of anarchy on his eastern frontier. While the short-term temptation for the two camps is to prevaricate, maximising tactical advantage and manoeuvring for public relations premium, they run the risk that events in Hebron itself will run away from them. That city still has more than 400 heavily armed, and not easily appeared; Jewish settlers surrounded by over 100,000 aggraved Palestinians whose loyalty to Mr

From all accounts, the essence of a final settlement is in place. Mr Netanyahu has won the right to station troops on the hills overlooking the enclave in Hebron in return for dropping his previous demand that the Israeli Army would have the power of "hot pursuit" through the city as a whole. That is a reasonable compromise. The agreement has been held back by disputes over planning and transport authority in the portion of the city that will remain under Israel's command. Failure to complete the bargain is more political than procedural. While the respective parties posture, there is a real danger that the force of events in the streets of Hebron will rise up and consume them all. Playing for time assumes that time exists. Recent experience would suggest that

Arafat is being seriously strained by the

activities of Hamas.

there is no such luxury.

### POETRY OF REMEMBRANCE

Words for a week in which we all remember war

Warfare arouses the most primitive and extreme emotions. Man has always struggled to articulate and synthesise these convulsive waves of feeling, and wars have therefore occasioned more enduring literature, especially poetry, than almost any other human activity. Down the centuries poetry has been used to rally, inspire, warn and comfort nations racked by the horrors of war. From Homer to Wilfred Owen and on to the ugliness and atrocities of the war in Bosnia, poets have grappled with the extremes of pride, anguish and disgust.

A masterful new Faber anthology of war poetry, compiled by Kenneth Baker, brings together not only the stately and inspirational verse composed by established poets but the huge range of writing in which ordinary men, and occasionally women, recall their lives, comrades and emotions in the face of danger and sudden death. The Conservative MP and former Home Secretary gleans from multifarious sources the memorable, the mediocre, the comic, tragic

Over the coming week The Times will publish a selection of these poems to mark Armistice Day. We have been closely associated with many of the conflicts that gave rise to this poetry: it was our correspondent William Russell who told the world the horrors of the Crimean War; and October 22.

Flanders, the deserts of North Africa, the appalling sites of liberated Nazi charnel houses and, in the past four years, the no less terrible suffering in the killing fields of Rwanda and Bosnia have brought to our readers something of the cataclysm from which war poetry is born. It was in The Times that Laurence Binyon first published "For the Fallen", the lines now indelibly associated with Remembrance Day. And we are vigorously supporting the movement to restore the Silence as a true, nationwide commemoration on November 11 not only of those who fell for Britain in two world wars, but all the 108 million people estimated to have been killed this century in war:

Mr Baker's anthology reminds us that in earlier times war was seen more heroically. It evoked high-minded patriotism, nobility and selflessness, qualities that are powerfully present in most of Shakespeare's use of war to define the history and kings of England. For all our revulsion at the brute killing we know to be the essence of combat. who cannot but be inspired by the Iliad, the Aeneid or Henry V's appeal to his soldiers on St Crispin's Day? The very mingling of such conflicting emotions in conflict is what gives war poetry its resonance and its enduring ability to shape our views of ourselves, our ancestors and nation. The Times will be remembering our debt and our

heritage in the poems of the coming week.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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NHS trusts need more than money

#### Stepping across a moral 'wasteland'

From Ms Leslie Morphy

Sir, We at the Prince's Trust have followed the debate triggered by Frances Lawrence (letters, October 23, 25, 29, 31; November 1, 2) with immense interest. We are attempting to build some stepping stones across what can be a wasteland of unemployment, low expectations and motivation for many young people. Your leading article of October 26 eloquently recognised some of this work.

We believe that through our programmes young people can develop skills and personal qualities and be-come more self-sufficient while learning to work with others. But reaching the most disadvantaged is extremely

It requires co-operation between agencies and the provision of creative opportunities which are attractive to young people and their sponsors. It also requires much longer-term support than is often available through train-ing schemes or community projects. Many of the most vulnerable young

people have little access to long-term support, financial or human. They need a critical friend or adviser; someone who can help them exploit and develop their talents over months and years rather than weeks.

We have developed such support in our training courses and in helping young people to set up small business

es and our evidence suggests that it is part of the solution to disadvantage. In the context of a wider debate about active citizenship it may also provide some useful markers to directing the talents and goodwill of the majority towards those most at risk.

Yours sincerely, L. A. MORPHY (Policy Director), The Prince's Trust, 18 Park Square East, NWI. November 2.

From the Chaplain of St Peter's College, Oxford

Sir, May I, as a bystander belonging to a sister church, take issue with Lady Sidmouth's criticism (letter, October 31) of the Catholic bishops and what I believe to be her misuse of the saying about God and Caesar.

There are of course fields of expertise belonging to different professions and specialities, and bishops who comment on economic issues deserve to be criticised if they show ignorance or misunderstanding of economic theory and its application.

However, the notion that there are spheres of activity not subject to theological evaluation has in the past had disastrous consequences when the Church has been faced with social questions requiring analysis and guidance. In any case the principle is not applied consistently.

Why should it be thought that the Creator God is any less concerned about human dignity and the treat-ment of the weak in the field of economic than obstetric processes? Lady Sidmouth accepts that the bishops are qualified to give advice on the morality of abortion, although they are not gynaecologists.

Jesus's retort to those who tried to entrap him into giving partial political advice is designed to make us confront our proper responsibilities to Caesar and to remind us that everything in this world is God's, and therefore potentially a matter for theological reflection, moral decision and conscien-

Yours faithfully, CHRISTOPHER JONES, Chaplain and St Augustine Fellow, St Peter's College, Oxford.

From Mr L L Blake

Sir, Mrs Whitham is right to say (letter, November I), about the so-called "statement of shared values" (report, October 29), that she trusts no one seriously expects children to learn such stuff by heart. "Where's the force of expression to move the readers?", she

The one formulation which can easily be learnt by heart comprises the three moral precepts of Justinian (Institutes, 1.1.3): to live honestly, hurt nobody, and to render to everyone his

That last one might prove difficult, but it might give them food for thought.

Yours faithfully, L L BLAKE, 271 Lonsdale Road, SWI. November 1.

#### Musical composition

From Professor J. D. M. H. Laver, FBA, FRSE

Sir, Professor Alexander Goehr and colleagues (letter, October 22) take the Humanities Research Board of the British Academy to task for not accepting musical composition as coming within the scope of the board's schemes for postgraduate studentships at MA and PhD level. They also suggest that the board failed to consult practitioners in the field in reaching this decision.

In fact, the board asked the National Association of Music Staff in Higher Education (Namshe) to consult its member institutions on this specific matter, and Namshe received replies from 31 of these.

The board considered Namshe's comments very carefully. It fully acer and provider functions is the most important and far-reaching develop-

From Dr Peter Lewis

Sir, Dr Ben Timmis and his London colleagues (letter, October 25) rightly draw attention to the urgency of the need of NHS trust hospitals for more money. The question of where this money should come from - from the Government in the form of additional funding, or from within the NHS by way of reallocation — is equally press-

Earlier this year the Anti-Rationing Group — a group of senior health pro-fessionals who believe the NHS to be sufficiently funded, so long as prices are controlled - conducted a survey of the purchasing data of eight of the nation's then 120 health service purchas-

ing commissions.

Of the seven which provided data, two did not know what they spent on emergency care; among the remaining five the proportion of the hospital and community care budget spent on emergency care ranged between 22 and 42 per cent. Such variation is beyond the margin of rational explanation.

These allocations, particularly in the low-spending commissions, are more likely to be the consequence of spending decisions elsewhere than the outcome of a deliberate policy regarding emergency care. There is therefore a strong likelihood that a significant amount of emergency-care under-funding is the consequence of less

than satisfactory purchasing practice. Perhaps NHS trusts finding themselves in this difficult situation should first find out whether these circumstances apply in their local situation, and then satisfy themselves that there is a local policy which can be rigorously justified. Purchasing commissions should also satisfy themselves that trusts have already taken all available means to contain their costs.

This view is not presented as a criticism of NHS reforms, without which it would have been impossible for us to carry out our analysis. Present arrangements for purchasing may not

have achieved their purpose; but the principle of the separation of purchasment in the NHS since its inception. It must be preserved if the NHS is not to be superseded by private medicine.

Yours sincerely, PETER LEWIS (Spokesman, The Anti-Rationing Group), c/o Department of Epidemiology and Public Health, Wales College of Medicine. Heath Park, Cardiff. October 25.

From the Chief Executive of Manchester Health Authority

Sir, May I point out to my health service colleagues in London that the easy answer to operational difficulties is always more money. The harder solution is to critically review how existing resources are used and whether professional staff can deliver more effective and efficient services by

working differently.

Manchester, which has arguably the worst health overall in England (some ten years behind that of the rest of the country), received no additional resources to develop new health services in the current financial year, and funds are, of course, as urgently needed here as elsewhere.

However, considerable innovative and positive changes have been made by the city's health services in order to meet the year-on-year demand for healthcare. This has been done printarily by reviewing and changing the way services are provided. One of the results is that additional money has been made available for emergency

Yours sincerely, NEIL GOODWIN, Chief Executive, Manchester Health Authority, Gateway House. Piccadilly South, Manchester. October 28.

#### From the Director-General War memorials

From Ms Jo Darke

Sir. Your issue of October 28 brings good news of a campaign to save neglected war memorials and, in separate reports, of two other admirable restoration projects at Castle Howard and at Gatton Park; and your leading article, "Cradle to grave" urges the educationally valuable involvement of local schools and groups in caring for neglected memorials. What standards will apply to the processes used?

The National Inventory of War Memorials, the Public Monuments and Sculpture Association and a number of other groups have inde-pendently devised conservation guidelines. However a single, recognised body is needed to impose conservation standards and to harness the admirable enthusiasm of volunteer groups to nationally recognised conservation procedures.

Inappropriate treatments will spoil work of outdoor art or craft as effectively as and sooner than years of

Yours truly. JO DARKE (Chief Executive, Public Monuments and Sculpture Association). 72 Lissenden Mansions, Lissenden Gardens, NW5. October 29.

#### Millennium Wheel

From Mr David Marks

Sir, It is a common misconception that the Eiffel Tower was originally intended to be temporary (letter, October 28).

By a contract dated January 8, 1887. between the French State, the City of Paris and Gustav Eiffel, the tower was to operate for a 20-year period after the closure of the Universal Exhi-

bition of 1889. The British Airways Millennium Wheel, like the Great Exhibition's Crystal Palace, is designed to be easily dismantled; unlike the Eiffel Tower, which is not - its 10,100-ton construction being connected by 2.5 million

Yours faithfully, DAVID MARKS (Managing Director), The Millennium Wheel Company Ltd. 50 Bromells Road, SW4. October 29.

manding area of endeavour which requires great intellectual rigour to be successful; but it makes a distinction between composition and research. It within its domain. is with musicological research that

the board is concerned. The board does not (as is suggested) see itself as at odds with the higher education funding councils, which have included composition as an approved measure of output in their current research assessment exercise. It is for the board to determine the boundaries of its funding responsibilities. and it has sought to develop a definithe dual-support system enjoyed by

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Letters for publication should carry contact telephone numbers. We regret that we cannot accept letters by telephone but they

of the Imperial War Museum

Sir, We entirely endorse the concerns expressed in your leader of October 28 about the condition of war memorials and the importance of preserving this aspect of our heritage for future generations. We believe, however, that the key to successful preservation lies in the accumulation of accurate records of all memorials in the British Isles.

To this end, a national research project was initiated in 1989 by the Imperial War Museum and the Royal Commission on the Historic Monuments of England. A new archive has been created with information, including details of their condition, on over 25,000 war memorials. This has been possible with the help of volunteers and parish councils.

We hope to complete the transfer of information to database and increase public accessibility within a year, although many inquiries are already being dealt with. In response to these, we are about to publish a booklet. The Conservation of War Memorials: Guidance Notes, which will assist in the devising of a proper conservation strategy by providing expert contacts.

Yours sincerely, ROBERT CRAWFORD. Director-General, Imperial War Museum, Lambeth Road, SEI. October 29.

#### Prune recalled

From Dr I. D. Heath

Sir, The obituary of Bill Hooper (October 28) reminded me of an anecdote which I heard in 1956 while on National Service in BAOR.

The CO of the local British military hospital had a framed Pilot Officer Prune cartoon in his office. It was noticed by one of the German civilian clerical staff who, on being informed of its nature, replied: "Ach so! Graf

"Graf Bobbi", so I was told, had returned very late from a bombing raid with virtually empty tanks and a full bomb load. When asked why, he said he had been delayed by engine trouble and that when he had reached the target "the All Clear had sounded".

Yours sincerely, I. D. HEATH, Copley Gate, Copley Lane, Halifax, West Yorkshire. November 1.

tion of research which reflects a principled view of the nature of research and is consistent across all subjects

It has made clear its view that musical composition should be eligible for public funding, and it would willingly discuss with other bodies how to achieve this. The funds at the board's disposal amount to a mere £415 per annum for the support of the research of each of the 8,000 research-active academic staff in the humanities in British universities. In this respect the humanities are in effect excluded from

Yours faithfully, JOHN LAVER (Chairman. Humanities Research Board), The British Academy, 20-21 Cornwall Terrace, NW1.

every other subject sector.

#### Historic dating of oldest shipwreck

From Dr Sturt W. Manning

Sir, Your leading article of October 28, "The first shipwreck", refers to the amazing finds from the Uluburun shipwreck in the eastern Mediterranean, and the precise dating of this wreck from a piece of firewood found on board.

The preciseness of the dating is indeed amazing. The last preserved ring on this firewood, the bark, belongs specifically to 1316 BC, and there can therefore be no doubt that the ship sailed and sank in that year or shortly

afterwards.

The Uluburun wreck provides a unique snapshot of life and material culture in the eastern Mediterranean in the last two decades of the 14th century BC. None of the usual vagaries

and approximations is called for. The 1,503-year absolute tree-ring chronology used to establish this dating clearly marks the beginning of the end of pre-history in the eastern Medi-terranean as having occurred more than 4,000 years ago.

Yours sincerely, STURT MANNING, University of Reading. Department of Archaeology, PO Box 218, Whiteknights, Reading, Berkshire. October 28.

From Mr Clive Thomas

Sir. Your reports today highlight some of the luxury items which have survived from about 1316 BC. They included elephant tusk, tortoise shells, ostrich eggs and firewood.

John Masefield must have been prescient when he wrote of the quinquereme of Nineveh: "With a cargo of ivory / And apes and peacocks / Sandalwood, cedar wood and sweet white

Yours faithfully, CLIVE S.J. THOMAS. Hillside House, Wrotham. Kent.

## Fishing policy

From the Minister of State for

Agriculture, Fisheries and Food Sir, I am surprised that Emma Bonino, the European Fisheries Commissioner (letter, October 28), should accuse the UK Government of past inertia on the decommissioning of fishing

vessels [see also letter, November 1]. For the period between 1993 and 1997 we have committed a total of £53 million. So far this has resulted in 430 vessels being scrapped. A further 167 have been selected under the 1996

Moreover, losing these boats has a real impact on local fishing communities. For example, this year alone, North Shields and Newlyn will lose seven and four fishing vessels, respec-

Everyone recognises that action needs to be taken to tackle the problems of overfishing and the UK fishermen have been playing their part. But the European Commission cannot be surprised if the UK fishermen are so frustrated when the Fisheries Commissioner describes all the recent reductions in their fishing fleet as 'inertia".

Yours faithfully, TONY BALDRY, Minister of State. Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, Whitehall Place, SWI. October 28.

From Mr John Ashworth

Sir, The letter from Emma Bonino was accurate in at least one respect: it referred to "the current European fleet". The total integration of the member states' fishing fleets into one EU fleet has meant the sacrifice of the British fleet to make way for newcom-

ers with large fleets but few fish. While this integration is taking place, there will be no conservation. This is because those who conserve will reap no benefit; they are the next ones to be thrown out of an industry most British fishermen have been in for generations.

Yours faithfully, JOHN ASHWORTH, Save Britain's Fish. Kirby Mills Industrial Estate. Kirkbymoorside, York. October 29.

#### Is Sid at home?

From Dr John Laws

Sir, I have received by post an invitation from British Telecom to "update my Friends and Family calling circle". To help me do this they enclosed a list of five numbers "based on a recent phone bill".

Four I recognised as those of family or friends, but the fifth had me stumped. It was certainly not in my personal telephone/address book.

intrigued, I phoned the number, to be greeted by a recorded voice. "This is British Gas. We are sorry we cannot take your call at the moment. If you have a query about your account please press button 1. If you . . . etc." Until then I had never really considered British Gas as friend or

Yours faithfully, JOHN LAWS, 5 Frank Dixon Way, Dulwich, SE21. November 2.

family.



## COURT CIRCULAR

**BUCKINGHAM PALACE** November 2: The Prince Edward Trustee, this morning attended The Duke of Edinburgh's Award London Regional Conference for Award Leaders at the Barbican.

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November 2: The Duke of Gloucester, Grand Prior, the Order of St John, accompanied by The Duchess of Gloucester, visited the St John Eve Hospital, Baragwanath, Johannesburg, and attended a luncheon at the Priory for St John,

Later Their Royal Highnesses visited the Transyaal St John Headquarters. Braamfontem Johannesburg and subsequently

Johannesourg and subsequently departed for Durban. In the evening The Duke and Duchess of Gloucester attended a reception at the Durban Club. Esplanade, Durban

KENSINGTON PALACE November 3: The Duke of Glouces ter. Grand Prior, the Order of St John, accompanied by The Duch-ess of Gloucester, this morning attended a Service at St James Church, Morningside, Durban.
Afterwards Their Royal Highnesses visited a SANTA Clinic (South African National Tuber culosis Association). Botha's Hill near Pietermaritzburg. Later The Duke and Duchess of

Gloucester attended a luncheon at Pietermaritzhurg Country Club and subsequently visited the Pietermaritzburg St John

Their Royal Highnesses attended a Dinner at the Royal Hotel. Durban. YORK HOUSE

ST JAMES'S PALACE November 3: The Duke of Kent Trustee, the Science Museum today took part in the Centenary London to Brighton Veteran Car Run, commencing at Hyde Park. London W2

#### Royal engagements

The Princess Royal will open a new faculty of arts building at Basingstoke College of Technol-ogy, Worting Road, at 12.10; will open a YMCA residential centre at Eastrop Way, Basingstoke, at 2.10; and will visit the Mary Rose, HM Naval Base, Portsmouth, at 3.20. Later, as President of the Royal Naval Museum, will visit the museum at 7.30 and attend a reception and dinner on board HMS Victory.

Princess Margaret will the Omega Factory, the first development on the new Capitol Park Industrial Estate. Thome, Doncaster, at 11.10.

#### **Birthdays** today

Mr C.J. Bacon, headmaster, Dean Close School, Cheltenham. 59: Dr Jean Ballour, former chairman, Countryside Commission for Scotland, 69: Mr Walter Cronkite, American broadcaster, 80:

Lieutenant-General Sir Hugh Cunningham, 75: the Earl of Denbigh and Desmond, 26; Lady Dugdale, a Lady-in-Waiting to the Queen, 73; Mr Russell Evans, company chairman. 74: Professor A.J. Forty, former Principal, Stirling University, 68: Mr R.A. Henderson, former chairman. Kleinwort Benson Group, 79: Viscount Hereford, 64: Mr Elgar Howarth, musician, 61; Professor Jeffrey Jowell, professor of public law, 58: Air Commodore Philippa Marshall, former director, WRAF. 76: Mr Michael Meacher, MP. 57: Professor Joseph Rotblat. physicist, 88: Air Commandant Dame Anne Stephens, former director, WRAF, 84.

#### Service dinner

Avishire Yeomaniy Assoc Major R.Y. Henderson, Lord Lieutenant of Ayrshire and Arran and Honorary Colonel of the Ayrshire Squadron of the Scottish Yeomanry, presided at the annual regimental dinner of the Avrshire reomanry Association of Officers, serving and retired, of the Ayrshire (Earl of Carrick's Own) Yeomanry held on Saturday at Yeomanry House, Ayr. Colonel Sir Bryce Knox was the principal guest.

#### Dinner

Association of Managers in General Practice

Mrs Jackie Maun. Chairman of the Association of Managers in General Practice (AMGP) with officers and members held their annual dinner on Saturday at the Most House Hotel, Glasgow, and welcomed the new president, Dr Keith Bolden, Deputy Director of the Institute of General Practice at Exeter University. Dr Colin Hunter delivered the third Sally Irvine lecture.

#### King's College, Madrid

The Council is pleased to announce that Mr Christopher Gill Leech. MA (Cantab), has been The Council appointed Headmaster from January 1, 1997 in succession to Dr Gerald Percy who is leaving to ake up an appointment with the European Council of International Schools. King's College, founded in 1969, is an overseas member of HMC.

#### Nature notes

Pochards from the Continent are arriving on lakes and gravel pits throughout Britain. They are small, lively ducks, with dark red heads and soft grey backs; they dive

by taking a leap forward, and feed underwater on the seeds of submerged vegetation. Grey wagtails are appearing on the edges of lakes. and also by leaf-

clogged ditches and even large puddles: they are named after their grey back, though their breast is a brilliant yellow. Siskins and redpolls are swinging in the alder trees, feeding on the seeds in the black cones they are sometimes joined by goldfinches, who are equally acrobatic when occasion demands. Many trees are almost bare. Large yellow spade-shaped leaves are



they are still pale

The pochard

green. The white flowers of feveriew can be found by walls and garden gates: it derived its name from "febrifuge", a herb that makes fevers fly away. A few queen wasps are still about, feeding on nectar from late blossoms, but they will soon hide away and hibernate.



Heb Leman, left, of the Environment Agency, and Stuart Taylor narrowing a stretch of the Test in Hampshire

## Rivers narrowed to halt salmon decline

BY NICK NUITALL ENVIRONMENT CORRESPONDENT

SOME of the country's most famous rivers and streams are being narrowed to save salmon from extinction. Fisheries experts have launched a scheme to cut the width of noted salmon rivers and their tributaries in southern England in response to falling catches and a succession of dry years.

The scheme, which is being organised

by the Environment Agency, increases the flow of the water at critical points as well as the levels in famous angling waterways such as the Test, the Avon and the Itchen. It is hoped that this will improve the prospects for the rivers' declining wild salmon populations as they return from feeding grounds in Iceland to breed.

Stuart Taylor, fisheries officer for the agency in Winchester, said that one of the many difficulties facing Britain's salmon is the silting of the gravels in

By ANGUS NICOL

THE Glenfiddich Piping

Championship is intended to

pal competitions - the Gold

Medals at Oban and inver-

ness, the Bratach Gorm in

London, and the senior com-

petitions - and "to bring

together the ten best players in

the world in the two most

testing events", piobaireachd

and the march, Strathspey

and reel. This it certainly does,

and is always the occasion for

a veritable cuirm chiùil, a

feast of music from the great

Highland bagpipe.
This, the twenty-third
Glenfiddich Championship.

held at Blair Castle as always,

was such an occasion, though

perhaps not a vintage year, if

When presenting the prizes,

Mr Sandy Grant Gordon, of

William Grant & Sons. ex-

pressed his gratitude and that

of all participating pipers to

the 10th Duke of Atholl, who

died earlier this year, for the

great interest that he took in

one is being particular.

which they lay their eggs. Over many years cattle have broken down riverbanks, causing the gravels to become coated in as much as 18in of mud. At the same time the natural scouring power of the rivers has been badly affected as the waterways, many of which are fed by underground chalk springs, have dwin-dled in response to the falling rainfall of

the past few years. Mr Taylor said that without action to increase the flows by the narrowing schemes, salmon could soon be extinct in these rivers: "We are taking up the challenge a bit late. We have tried other methods, like stocking, and they have had some success. But we need to add to this if the salmon is to survive."

Fish raised for stocking are cossetted and their survival can be less than spectacular as they fall prey to the rigours of the wild. Dr Nick Giles, a freshwater fishery expert at the Game Conservancy Council at Verwood, Dorset, said: "It is difficult to produce good

Glenfiddich Piping Championship

World's finest deliver a veritable feast

the piping and for allowing

the event to be held in the

castle. He also expressed

appreciation for the energy

MacNeill, who also died this

vear, had put into the event

The ten pipers invited this

year were all main prize

winners during the last year.

Each had to submit six

piobaireachd and six each of

marches, Strathspeys and

reels, and was asked to play

one of each. All the tunes

chosen to be played by the

judges were formidable ones.

requiring, as John Burgess,

the Fear an Tighe, said, great

The first prize for piobair-

eachd, together with the High-

land Society of London's

Trophy, was won by Roderick

MacLeod. recently appointed

director of piping at the new

Piping Centre at MacPhater

Street, Glasgow. He played

The Old Men of the Shells, a

tune of unknown origin,

which might be connected

with distilling, since the shell

since its inception.

skill and learning.

was used as a drinking vessel,

Sligeachan in Skye. The second prize for plobair-

Alasdair Gillies for The Lament for Ronald MacDon-

ald of Morar. In third place

senting the United States. He

played The Park Plobair-

eachd No. 2, commemorating

the Battle of Park in the 14th

mer championship winner,

took fourth prize for ceol mor, with Donald Gruamach's

March, and Pipe-Major Brian

Donaldson took fifth prize

with The Bells of Perth. Hon-

ourable mention is also due to

the other players: Angus MacColl (The Lament for

Patrick Og MacCrimmon)

who also took fourth prize for

ceol beag: Dr Angus Mac-

Donald (The Lament for the

Laird of Anapool): Sergeant

Wilson Brown (Rory Mac-

Loude's Lament), and Jack Lee

(The Unjust Incarceration).

William Livingstone

William MacCallum, a for-

came Michael Cusack, repre-

or might refer to a battle at

thriving salmon on hatchery stock. Staying alive as a young salmon is an extremely demanding business. You are better equipped if you originate from a pair of wild salmon."

Mr Taylor added: "This is why we need to enhance the fortunes for the salmon who are already in the wild". The narrowing has so far been carried out at 15 sites. Fencing and the planting of reed beds is also being undertaken to stop cattle breaking through and collapsing banks. The gravels are being sprayed clean with water jets.

It is hoped that the project will be extended to other sites and other rivers especially those fed by underground chalk springs. Studies on the Brandy stream at Winchester, which has been narrowed, show a big improvement in the number of part — juvenile salmon produced from eggs. Mr Taylor said: Before the enhancement, the development of eggs into parr was 0.75 per cent. This has now risen to 28 per cent."

unfortunately unable to come

first prize for ceol beag, and the Redfearn plc Troohy. Dr

Angus MacDonald took sec-ond prize, and Roderick

The overall champion was

Each year the Balvenie

Pipe-Major Gillies, who also

won the championship in 1991.

Medal is awarded to someone

who has made an outstanding

contribution to piping. This

year's recipient was Duncan

Johnstone. As he could not be

present in person, his "most

outstanding pupil, Roderick

MacLeod, received the medal

Pwa I tolaino Overali championship: 1: P/M Alasdair Gillies: 2: Roderick MacLeod: 3: Michael Cusack. Piobatranchd: 1: Roderick MacLeod: 2: P/M Alasdair Gillier: 2: Michael Cusack 6: William MacCallum; 5: P/M Brian Donaldata.

March, Strathspey and Reel: 1: P/M Alasdair Gillies: 2: Dr Angus MacDonald; 3: Roderick MacLeod; 4: Angus MacColl; 5: Michael Custck.

Judges: Pobercachd: Donald MacPherson Angus J MacLellan, Hugh MacCallum.

March, Strathspey and Reek Ronald Lawrie, P/M Angus MacDonald, Tom Speirs.

on his behalf.

Full results

MacLeod took third prize.

Pipe-Major Gillies also won

from Canada to compete.

#### **Anniversaries**

BIRTHS: Guido Reni, painter. Bologna, 1575: King William III. reigned with Queen Mary II 1689-94 and after her death until 1702, The Hague, 1650; Augustus Toplady, clergyman and hymn writer, Farnham. Surrey, 1740; James Montgomery, poet, Irvine, Strath-clyde, 1771; Sir Frank Benson, actor-manager, Tunbridge Wells, 1858; Eden Philipotts. novelist, Mount Abu, Rajasthan, India, 1862; G.E. Moore, philosopher, London,

DEATHS: Erasmus Bartholin, physicist, Copenhagen, 1698; John Benbow, admiral, died of his wounds, Port Royal, Jamaica, 1702; Charles Churchill, poet, Boulogne, 1764; Felix Mendelssohn, composer, Leipzig, 1847; Paul De-laroche, painter, Paris, 1859; George Peabody, American philanthropist, London, 1869; Wilfred Owen, poet, killed in action, France, 1918; Gabriel Faure, composer, Paris, 1924: Manuel Azana y Diaz, President of Spain 1936-39, Montauban, France, 1940.

The Gunpowder Plot was discovered, 1605. Nelson's Column was completed in Trafalgar Square,

1843. The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (Unesco) was established, 1946.

#### Memorial service

Dr Alexander Ogston Dr Alexander Ogston
A service of thanksgiving for the
life of Dr Alexander George
(Sandy) Ogston, FRS, biochemist,
was held on Saturday at the
University Church of St Mary the
Virgin, Oxford. Canon Trevor
Williams, Chaplain Fellow of
Trinity College, officiated. The Rey
Dr Douglas Duprice, Chaplair
Fellow of Balliol College read the
lesson and Dr Baruch Blumbere. lesson and Dr Baruch Blumberg. Honorary Fellow of Balliol College, gave an address.

A Memorial Service for the Rev Dr Eric Heaton, Dean of Christ Church 1979-91, Honorary Student 1991-96, will be held in Christ Church Cathedral, Oxford, on aturday, November 9. at 3.00cm.

The Rev Dr Eric Heaton

Luigi Bandini A Memorial Service will be held

for Luigi Bandini, at St George's, Hanover Square, London, WI, on

#### Mr Denis Cheatle

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Denis Cheatle will be held at St Bride's, Fleet Street, London, EC4. at moon on November 6, 1996.

Michael Kalisher, QC

There will be a Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Michael Kalisher, QC, at the Temple Church, on Wednesday, November 27, 1996, at 5pm.

#### Appointments in the Forces

The Army The Army

Brigadier: M.L. Wildman to be Defeno
Adviser Pretoria. 1.11.96.
Colonel: R.G. Owen to be Comd RQ.
Div. 1.11.96: R.B. Peregrine to be Rt
Reme TA. 1.196: R.B. Cooper to b
Defence Adviser Malaysia, 28, 10.96;
G. Adlington to MOD, 5.11.96; B.G.
Hutchins to MOD, 4.11.96; D.H.
Stephenson to Dacos GS RQ Land

Retirements lonel: J G H Robertson lare RE. .10.96; M J H Vickery OBE late KRH. .10.96; E Mifsud late RAMC, .10.96.

Royal Air Force Air Commodore: H G Mackay CMDT CFS, 28.10.96.

#### Forthcoming marriages

Mr N.G. Mager and Froken B. Kjølhede The engagement is announced between Nicholas George, eldest son of Mr Derek Mager and the late Mrs Derek Mager, of Hoxne, Suffolk, and Birgime, elder daughter of Hr and Fru Erling Kjølhede, of Hellerup, Denmark. Major M.A.C. Linaker and Miss T.V. Denisova

and Miss T.V. Denisova
The engagement is announced between Major Martin Linaker.
The King's Own Sconish Borderers, younger son of Major and Mrs David Linaker, of Helensburgh, and Taryana, only daughter of Mr Valera Denisova and Mrs Taryana Denisova of and Mrs Tarvana Denisova, of Voronezh, Russia.

#### Marriages Mr D.B.D. Christop

and Miss H.V. Kitson
The marriage took place on
Saturday at the Church of St Mary and St Alkelda, Middleham, North Yorkshire, of Mr David Christopherson, son of the late Stanley Christopherson and of Mrs Christopherson, of London, SWI, to Miss Hannah Kirson. younger daughter of Sir Timothy and Lady Kitson, of Middleham. The Rev David Eyles, Father Edward Corbould, OSB, and Mgr Seamus Kilhane officiated.

Seamus Rithane officialed.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Toby and Victoria Bigge, George and Rupert Grace.

Rupert Lambert, Indigo Mountain and Rosa Termant. Mr Algernon

Bernett was best man.

A reception was held at the home of the bride and the honeymoun will be spent abroad.

Mr.J.C. Christopher and Miss D.M. Southy and Miss D.M. Southwell
The marriage took place on a
November 2, at the Church of
All Hallows, London, NW3,
between James, son of Dr Lloyd
and Mrs Mairin Christopher, and
Dina, daughter of Mr John and
Mrs Carol Southwell.

Mr A.Q. Dickens and Dr N. Mascarenha The marriage took place on Sunday, November 3, at the Church of St Jacinto, St Jacinto Island, Gos. India, of Mr Adrian Quentin Dickens, third son of Captain D.A.G. Dickens and Mrs Dickens, of South Petherton Somerset, and Dr Nisha Mascarenhas, third daughter of Mr Alarico Mascarenhas and Mrs Mascarenhas, of Vasco da Gama. Gon, Father Cromancio officated.

The bride was given in marriage by her father and Mr Simon Dickens was best man. A reception was held at Cota Mansion, Agacaim. The couple will reside in Melbourne.

#### University news

Australia.

Oxford The Winter Williams Law Prizes

First prize: Daniel Ragian of Lad Margaret Hall: second prize. Ben McFarlane, University College. Awards for meritorious work: Paul Awards for mentorious work: Paul Greatoret, Christ Church, Sarah Haren, University College, Darren Linlejohn, Magdalen College and Nathan Wells, Pembroke College, The John Potter Essay Prize 1996 has been awarded to Nerys Dawn Forester; New College; Camille Buchholz Carroll, Magdalen College, was commended.

George Webb Medley Junior Prize (S) for 1996: Daniel J Shapiro, of Merton College, has been awarded a prize

Cambridge King's College

Elected into a senior visiting research fellowship for one year from October 1, 1997: Georgina Emma Mary Born.

Arbitrators' Company The following have been elected officers of the Arbitrators' Company for the ensuing year:
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FAIRBROTHER - Figure 18 FAIRBROTHER - Figure 18 Ruby Clare 29th October St. Peter's Hospital Chertsey, beautiful incredible beautiful incredible daughter to Sue and John, Ist granddaughter to Christine and Colin, 5th grandchild to Eathleen and Niellus, 1st great-granddaughter to Counie. LAVENDER - On October 23x 1996, to Linds and Kenneth a son, Henry James Carter. McCARTHY - On 25th October in Nottingham, to Liam and Kate (nec Devenport) 2 darling, handsome son, Max Martyn, a brother for Abigail SMITH - On October 7th in Bangkok to Marlana and Peter, a son Locas Alexander

DEATHS

AXFORD - On October 29th 1996, Douglas William Edward, much loved husband and father. Enquiries H.C. Grimstead Ltd. tel: (01494) 434393. CURUSFETRASER - Mervyn. See Memorial Services. DEREHAM - David, died suddenly on Toesday 29th October Beloved husband of DEREHAM David, died suddenly on Tuesday 29th October. Beloved husband of Crawford and proud and much loved father of Plans and Deborah. Funeral private. A Service of Thanksgiving will be held in Wellow Chunch, near fath on Wednesday 13th November at 11:30 am. Denations in memory, if desired, to The Kennet and Avon Canal Trust. 60 Moger and Sparrow, 24 Queen Square, Bath.

AHAM-Glos Henry Gibson in hospital after a short in hospital after a short illness on Tuesday October 29th. Son of John and of Gillian Baring, brother of Amanda and half hother of Jamie. Gibson, and Constance. A Service in his memory will be held at St Mary's Church Prestbury, Cheltenham on Monday 11th November at 2.30 pm. Fumily flowers only. Donations if desired to MENCAP Blue Sky Appeal.

MORTHWAY - Roger, suddenly (happy) on 29th October, aged 59, beloved husband of lam and dearest father of lucy, Edwin and the late Mare.

ROCKE - George Frederic M.C.-peacefully at home en October 31st. Rusband of Jean and father of Lucinia, George and Tim. Private cremation will be held on Thursday 7th November and cremation will be ness on Thursday 7th November and a Thanksgiving Service will be held at a later date.

RODGER - Mary Evelyn, peacefully at Little Dean House Norsing House Stockbridge on October 31st 1996, the belowed wife of the late Alastair Rodger and mother of Carolina Formally of Oxford and Wytye. The funeral service will take place on Friday Rovember 8th 1996 at 2.30pm at the Church of Saint Mary the Virgin, Wylye, Wiltshire. Family flowers only please. Enquiries to Chris White Funeral Director Tel 01722 744671

SMITH - Christina Steven (tole Wallace). On October 31st 1996 aged 97, pascentily at The Manor House, Bilton, Rugby, Widow of AE. Smith, beloved mother of Barbare and Malcolm. Funeral Service at 8t Maric's Church Bilton, Rugby, 2.30pm on Tuesday 5th November. Family Howers only please, but donations if desired to Myton Hospice, Myton Lane, Warwick.

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## **BARRY PORTER**

Barry Porter. Conservative MP for Bebington and Ellesmere Port, 1979-83, and for Wirral South from 1983, died yesterday of throat cancer aged 57. He was born on June 11, 1939. arry Porter was the

last representative in the House of Commons of that oncepowerful northwestern Toryism that owed infinitely more to Protestantism and to warking-men's clubs than to me gentler values of southern Conservatism. This remarkable 19th-century political phe-nomenon, which cost W. E. Gladstone his Lancashire constituency in 1868, delivered six out of Liverpool's nine seats to the Conservative Party as late as 1959. Now it is virtually extinct.

A dominant institution in this political world in which Porter grew up was the Or-ange Order. When he first came to stand for Parliament in the 1970s, most prominent Tories in the North West had ceased to wear the sash with apparent pride. He, however, proudly proclaimed his allegiance, and became the last Tory candidate to be formally endorsed by the Order. Subsequently he established a new Cange Lodge in his native Birkenhead.

In the House of Commons, where he often appeared immune both to the threats of the whips and to the advice of friends, he was one of the very iew English Tory MPs to espouse the Ulster Unionist cause with both passion and conviction. In April 1981 he received an IRA letter bomb. Unperturbed, he put it in a bucket of sand, and drove it to the local police station.

He greatly deplored the Conservative Government's decision to establish a closeunderstanding with the Gov-ernment of the Irish Republic in the hope of advancing the cause of peace in Northern Ireland. He roundly condemned, and voted against, the Anglo-Irish agreement of November 1985 which embodied this policy. He believed that it created an impediment to progress in Ulster since the Unionists would never accept it. (In this he has yet to be

preval wrong.)

1; dis background gave him a robust temperament, it certainly did not make himnarrow or bigoted in outlook. His closest political friend was the late Liberal Democrat peer, Lord Evans of Claughton. More than once he shared

Sir Eric Drake, CBE,

chairman of British

on October 31 aged 85. He

was born on November

29, 1910.

ALTHOUGH he certainly

ranked as a captain of British

industry. Eric Drake was nev-

er exactly a household name.

This was, no doubt, partly

because almost his whole

career was devoted to BP.

which he joined in 1935, the

year after he had qualified as a

chartered accountant. He be-

came a main board director in

1958 and spent six years as departy chairman before being

eleva p to the chairmanship

His coming to the top job

coincided with a dramatic

time for the oil industry. It fell

to him to welcome the Queen

to Aherdeen to inaugurate the

Forties oilfield out in the

North Sea, but there were

awkward moments, too. In the

autumn of 1973, in the wake of

the Arab oil embargo, he found himself summoned to

Chequers - along with the

chairman of Shell - to con-

It appeared to Edward

Heath that the problem of fuel

shortages could be greatly

alleviated if BP and Shell were

front the Prime Minister.

Appointments

in January 1969.

Petroleum 1969-75, died



a bottle - or rather, many bottles (and numerous jokes) with Charles Haughey, the lrish Fianna Fail Prime

Above all, George Barring-ton Porter regarded himself as a son of Birkenhead, where he was born into a solidly middle class family; his father was a Liverpool businessman. He took considerable pride in the fact that he was only the second Conservative MP to be produced by Birkenhead School (the first having been the great F. E. Smith).

After graduating from University College, Oxford, with an honours degree in PPE, he established himself as a solicitor in Birkenhead, becoming a partner in the firm of Fanshaw, Porter and Hazelhurst in 1966. He became wellknown locally as a member first of the Birkenhead Borough Council (1967-74) and subsequently of the Wirral Borough Council (1975-79). chairing its housing committee (1976-77) and its education committee (1977-79).

He certainly helped to make Birkenhead a better place by securing the demolition of Oak and Eldon Gardens, a group of notorious tower blocks. He also won widespread approval for his part in the strong local campaign against the Labour Government's abolition of direct grant schools which forced Birkenhead School to go independent. Subsequently he be-came one of the earliest advocates of the Assisted Places Scheme.

Porter entered Parliament at his fourth attempt. He contested Liverpooi (Scotland) at a byelection in 1971, Newton-le-Willows in February 1974 and Charley in October 1974 before being elected for Bebington and Ellesmere Port in May 1979, if only by 486 votes. As a result of boundary changes, he became MP for the new (and much safer) seat of Wirral South in 1983.

His vigorous right-wing

populism - it was characteristic that he advocated both cricket and rugby tours of South Africa while apartheid was still in force - did not find

an entirely comfortable home at Westminster even under Margaret Thatcher. Although he started off by admiring her. he came to feel that it was time for her to "hang up her boots", and in 1990 he emerged as one of Michael Heseltine's more surprising supporters. He survived a subsequent attempt to deselect him. He could be a forthright and uncompromising opponent -

was claimed that he had thrown a punch at Labour's George Galloway after one late-night debate in 1988 - and his was a vote on which the Government could seldom safely depend. He rebelled over the introduction of school bus charges in March 1980 and over the pace of trade union reform, which he regarded as much too slow, in April 1980.

the Tory Government was out

of office within three months.

forfeited all prospect of preferment. In fact, although he certainly harboured hopes of office in the early 1980s, his forthrightness (which so often bordered on the truculent) coupled with his unpredictability, made him one of nature's backbenchers. He did his most constructive

When he voted against the

Anglo-Irish agreement in 1985,

the whips told him in no

uncertain terms that he had

parliamentary work as a member of the Select Committees on Transport (1979-83) and Trade and Industry (from 1985 onwards). He played no small part in encouraging the then Northern Ireland Secretary, Tom King, to privatise the Harland and Wolff shipyard in 1989, thereby safeguarding its future. That made the closure of Cammell Laird in Birkenhead four years later all the more painful. Few had worked harder to prevent it.

He was rarely far from controversy. After ceasing to practise as a solicitor in 1979, he acquired a strange assortment of business interests which included directorships of various entertainment companies, including Leisure Investments, the owner of gambling clubs, which went bankrupt in 1989. As parliamentary adviser to the Hearing Aid Association, he was criticised for trying to delay a Bill curbing the sales tech-niques of hearing aid companies in February 1989. On the eve of a key Commons vote in November 1995 on the Nolan committee's recommendations regarding MPs' outside interests, he faced accusations (which he strongly denied) of arranging meetings with ministers in exchange for

Porter, a dark good-looking man with a rasping voice, and a chain-smoker, was often to be found on the golf course or at a rugby match (he was a keen rugby union supporter and continued to play the game himself until well into his thirties). In recent years Birkenhead, to which he was so deeply attached, saw much less of him because the family home passed into the possession of his wife when they separated in 1989 (though she remained his Commons secretary). Thereafter the conviviality, which was so marked a feature of his character, was displayed chiefly at Westminster, and particularly in its

He married Susan Carolyn James in 1965. She survives him together with their two sons and three daughters.

### WANG LI

Wang Li, Chinese Communist activist during the Cultural Revolution, later imprisoned by Chairman Mao, died on October 21 aged 74. He was born in 1922

RELEASED in 1982 from 15 years in Qincheng. Peking's notorious prison for the elite. Wang Li spent the rest of his life writing more than 100 petitions to the Communist Party's leaders protesting his devotion and insisting that his insider's view of China's Cultural Revolution could help to ensure that such a catastrophe would never recur.

Born into a landowning family in Jiangsu province. Wang joined the Communist party in 1939 during its darkest guerrilla days in the civil war and, like many well-off young intellectuals, he made a career in the propaganda network, a shelter from all but the most vigorous campaigns against those from suspect class backgrounds. His reputation as a loyal propagandist. regardless of the contortions of the party line, brought him eventually to the editorial staff of the magazine Hong Qi (Red Flag), which laid down correct ideological theory, and to the post of deputy director in the International Liaison Depart-

It was because of this pliable and skilled loyalty that Mao appointed Wang to the leading group of the Cultural Revolution, on which, until she moved against him, he served with Jiang Qing, Mao's wife, and other figures just outside the party's central leadership. It was this group that began the purges of the "terrible decade," which convulsed China and brought low most of the top leaders and intellectuals, many of whom would be killed, commit suicide, or suffer, with their families, torture and exile.

Wang was remembered during this period by an American woman working in Peking as "stout in his khaki padded overcoat, his suave

bankerly appearance seeming strangely out of place amid the admiring swarms of excited Red Guards". After his release from prison, Wang claimed that Deng Xiaoping sought him out to draft the selfcriticism which impressed Mao sufficiently to spare him from death and banish him to a remote province for many years. This is unlikely; there is no evidence that Mao spared anyone whom he intended to

kill or to allow to die. Wang never repented his actions during the Cultural Revolution. "I have no regrets," he was to say years



later. "I made mistakes, it was all right to make mistakes in those times as long as you corrected them." He said, too, that while Mao read everything before it was published and that he wrote to the Chairman's orders, "I, as a writer of those documents had major responsibilities for the mistakes".

But Wang's biggest mistake was the nearly fatal one of attracting Mao's anger. In the summer of 1967 he flew to the central industrial city of Wuhan at Mao's instruction to reconcile one of the bloody struggles then at its height between factions each claiming to be more purely Maoist than the other. At one point he was captured and finally released when the Prime Minister, Chou En-lai, alarmed because Mao was also visiting

Wuhan and might become embroiled in the violence. intervened. With a leg in plaster. Wang was greeted as a hero by most of the leadership at Peking's airport. But Li Zhi-sui, Mao's doctor and biographer, wrote that Mao said: "The trouble is that Wang Li provoked them into fighting."

Despite Wang's protests lat-er in life that he had had nothing to do with violence, one of his fiery speeches incited Red Guards in August 1967, first to take over the Foreign Ministry and, on August 22, to set fire to the British Chancery. Mao, always keen to ensure that violence was kept within manageable bounds, ordered Wang's incarceration in Oinchene.

There he underwent one of the standard treatments for high-ranking targets of Mao's displeasure. In one of his memoirs he recalled: "They would force-feed you a kind of drug that induced hallucinations. I still remember Chairman Mao's Hunanese accent coming over the loudsneaker and announcing in a loud voice, 'In this movement nobody will be executed with the exception of Wang Li'. No matter how many times a day my execution was announced I would always shout, 'Long live Chairman Mao' and sing the Internationale. Then the cancellation of my execution would be announced."

In 1984, two years after his release from 15 years of such ordeals. Wang wrote a letter to Deng Xiaoping and two other senior leaders, asking not to be expelled from the party. "I have grown to maturity through the party's nurturing since the age of 14. The party's loving kindness to me over the past 50 years remains forever engraved on my heart. Perhaps I can be of some use to the party if I am allowed to remain inside it to denounce myself by summing up the bitter negative experiences in which l took part."

He is survived his wife Wang Pingshu, and by a



Wang (second from right) with Chou En-lai (left) and other leading Communists, 1967

## SIR ERIC DRAKE



to maintain full deliveries to Britain, even though their own supplies had been sharply cut back by the oil-producing Arab countries. Drake boldly faced the intimidating task of explaining to the Prime Minister that the world of multinational companies did not work

BP. he insisted, had to Lord Mayor's Banquet - that like that

observe its commitments to other countries as well to Britain. It was not a popular message to a politically and economically beleaguered Prime Minister and it was perhaps as well for Drake who had already had one sharp brush with the Chancellor, Tony Barber, at that year's

The son of a doctor, Arthur Eric Courtney Drake was educated at Shrewsbury and Pembroke College, Cam-bridge, where he was a keen oarsman and read modern languages and law. He joined the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company (as BP was then known) in 1935 and spent most of his early years in the Middle East, ultimately becoming general manager for Iran and Iraq (at the time one of the most sensitive and crucial jobs in the entire oil industry). Partly thanks to his efforts, BP survived the Mossadeq episode and it was, no doubt, in recognition of this that in January 1952 he was appointed CBE at the relatively early age of 41.

Later that same year he was sent to the United States as BP's North American representative. The fact that two of his predecessors in this post had gone on to become chairman suggested that within the company he had already been

marked down as a high-flyer. He spent two happy years in New York before returning to Britain to head a newly created supply and development department, moving from there in 1957 to become a director of BP Trading, the company's main subsidiary. Since he was only 46 at the time, this as good as ensured his ultimate ascent to the top. That came with his appointment as chairman in 1969, followed by his knighthood a year later. If there was a surprise in

Drake's career, it was perhaps

that greater use was not made of his talents by outside bodies, especially in the years of his retirement when for five years he became deputy chairman of P&O. He held various ritual appointments - the presidency of the Chamber of Shipping, the committee of management of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution. membership of the Royal Yacht Squadron, an Elder Brother of Trinity House but he never emerged as a major force in the counsels of British industry. It may be that it was BP itself that was answerable for that. In its modern form it was certainly in part his creation but he, in turn, was perceived as an oilman through and through.

Eric Drake was twice married and is survived by his second wife Margaret, and by two daughters of his first marriage and two sons of his

#### PROFESSOR GEORGE KUBLER

Professor George Kubler. art historian, died on October 3 aged 84. He was born on July 26, 1912.

GEORGE KUBLER was probably best known in Britain for his two magisterial volumes in the Pelican History of Art series: Art and Architecture of Spain and Portugal and their American Dominions (1959, with Martin Soria) and Art and Architecture of Ancient America (1962). But in the Americas he was also widely recognised as a pioneer in establishing prehispanic (or Pre-Columbian) art history as a respected discipline.

gested, is worthy of comparison with the achievements of European and Asian sculptors and painters. The department that Kubler helped to found at

Pre-Columbian art, he sug-

Yale more than half a century ago remains one of the most important centres for art history in the United States, with Pre-Columbian and Pre-Raphaelite topics taught on an equal basis.

A Californian by birth. Kubler arrived at Yale as a freshman in 1929 and spent the rest of his life there, joining the faculty in 1938 and taking a doctorate in 1940 with a study of the Spanish religious architecture of New Mexico. This unfashionable topic

produced his first book the same year and led to The Architecture of the 16th Century in Mexico, published in 1948. He had by then been promoted directly from assistant to full professor.

During his career he explored the art and architecture of Iberia and America — much

of it little-known territory - in an impressive range of books. monographs and essays. Among his more philosoph-

ical publications was The Shape of Time: Remarks on the History of Things (1962), which, while based on his Pre-Columbian work, raised the radical suggestion that "art can be expanded to embrace the whole range of man-made things" — a view that now finds fashionable acceptance.

His last book, Esthetic Rev ognition of Ancient Amerindian Art, begun in 1949 but published only in 1991, showed how the ancient arts of the Americas entered the mainstream of art history, an acceptance to which he had substantially contributed.

He leaves his widow, Elizabeth Bushnell Kubler, three daughters and a son.

#### Church news

The Re: Robert Chavner, Priest-incharge, St Luke, Sevenoaks: to be The Bourne, Farnham (Guildford). Vicas, St Luke, Sevenoaks Roccester. The Rev John Clarke, Vicar, St Mary's, Battersea (Southwark): 10 be Principal Ripon College.

The Rev David Collin: now Assistant Carate (NSM), St Boniface. Antwerp, Belgium (Europe). The Res Paul Collins, Vicar, Brighton, Good Shepherd, Preston (Chichester): In he Tutor in Littirgy. The Ecumenical Foundation for Theological Education at Queen's College, Birmingham. The Rev Peter Cotton, Team Rec-

te. St Laurence in the Isle of Thires (Canterbury): to be Team Restor Witemel Hempstead (5) The Rev Andrew Davey: new Meter united benefice of

Clenchwarrum and West Lynn The Rev Damian Frency, Curate. Wilfrid and St Luke, Harrogate Riport to be Curate. St John and M. Conne. Presion (Blackburn). The Rev Avra Count: new NSM.

The Rev Brian Goldsmith, Assistant Curate. St Mary, Rowner: to be Assistant Curate, Ali Saints', Catherington and St James. Clanfield (Portsmouth). The Rev Christine Haddon-Reece,

Assistant Curate, Lastingham w Appleton-le-Moors, Rosedale and Cropton: to be Vicar of the newly created united benefice of Topcliffe w Baldersby. Dalton, Dishforth and Skipton on Swale (York). and Skipton on Sware (1014).
The Rev David Head, Team Vicar.
Clapham Team Ministry (Southwark): to be Chaplain to Princess
Alice Hospice. Esher (Guildford).
The Rev John Heam, Chaplain,
and Danstable Hospital: to Luton and Dunstable Hospital: to be Assistant Priest (stipendiary), Ampthill w Millbrook and

The Rev Judy Herning: to be Rural Dean of Fareham, and Minister in Whiteley (Ports-The Rev Christopher Kevill-Davies, Rector, St. Mary Mag-calene's, Barkway, St. Andrew's,

Steppingley (St Albans).

Buckland, St Mary's Reed, St Margarer's, Barley (St Albans): to be Vicar, St Luke w Christ Church, Chelsea (London). The Rev John Lewis, Diocesan

Children's Adviser (Norwich): to be Priest-in-charge, St Oswald, Bedminster Down (Bristol). The Rev Paul Longbottom, Vicar, Shorne, and Diocesan Director of Ordinands (Rochester): to be also an Honorary Canon of Rochester Cathedral

The Rev David Muskett, Curate, Ampthill w Millbrook and Step-pingley (St Albans): to be Vicar. Milford, Godalining (Guildford). The Rev Carole Parker, Curate (NSM), Thorpe Acre w Dishley: to be Priest-in-charge, Packington w Normanton le Heath (Leicester). The Rev Richard Payn, Priest-incharge, St Peter, Tunbridge Wells: to be Vicar, St Peter, Tunbridge Wells (Rochester).

The Rev David Power, Diocesan Adviser in Evangelism (Ports-mouth): to be Vicar, St Cuthbert, Copnor, same diocese. The second secon

The Rev Wilson Sitshebo: to be Tutor, United College of the Ascension, Selly Oak (Birmingham). Canon John Waller, Vicar, Holy Trinity and Area Dean of Central and North Hull: to be also Rural Dean of Hull (York).

The Rev Albert Waterman, Vicar, St Alban, Dartford and Rural Dean of Dartford: to be also an Honorary Canon of Rochester Cathedral The Rev Robin Whittle, Vicar,

Capel: to be Chaplain to the Royal Association for the Deaf in Surrey (Guildford). The Rev Michael Wood, Vicar, St Mary, Squires Gate, Blackpool: to be also Rural Dean of Blackpool

(Blackburn). Resignations and retirements The Rev Geoffrey Charrett, Priestin-charge, Hambledon (Guild-ford): to retire March 31, 1997. The Rev Ivor Hapcock, Vicar, Hawley and Milney (Guildford):

retired October 31. The Rev John Hickling, Rector, Husbands Bosworth w Mowsley and Knaptoft and Theddingworth (Leicester): retired October 30. <u> Barangan and and take the state of the sta</u>

#### GAINS THE DAY THE PROPHETS CONFOUNDED

PRESIDENT TRUMAN

From Our Own Correspondent

WASHINGTON, Nov. 3

The most surprising 16 hours in American election history ended this morning when Mr. Dewey conceded the reelection of President Truman. Every expert was proved wrong, every prediction belied, every rule broken. Mr. Truman was, perhaps, the only man in

the country not completely surprised.

The result is a crushing blow for Mr. Dewey, whose career in national politics is now finished. After Mr. Dewey the most serious casualty was Dr. Gallup, whose attempts on the wireless to explain what happened were the delight of listeners. Less delightful were the statements of Mr. Wallace when he realized that he was not going to get even a million votes. He declared that the cup of iniquity of the two major parties was not yet full, and threatened retribution in

#### ON THIS DAY

#### **November 4, 1948**

Called to the presidency on the unexpected death of Roosevelt in 1945, Harry S. Truman (1884-1972) gave polisters a nightmare (which persists to this day) with this victory: one Chicago paper even went on sale with the headline "Dewey defeats Truman"

1952. The most important element in Mr. Truman's surprise victory was the effort of organized labour. Buffalo, for instance, gave him a larger majority than it ever gave Roosevelt and this was entirely due to the hard work of the unions. Senator Taft lost Ohio, unaided by his sponsorship of the Taft-Hartley Act, and Mr. Truman's resounding win in Illinois is attributed to the C.I.O., who worked during last week as never before.

There will be a very different Mr. Truman from now on. Instead of being

President by accident, he will be President chosen by the people. He owes less to any man than any President before him. Few gave him financial support: many of the party leaders tried to betray him for General Eisenhower at Philadelphia, and none of the machines delivered him votes. The Dixiecrat revolt relieves him of the necessity of considering the South: the existence of the Progressive Party removes the embarrassment of having Communists or near-Communists among his supporters. He is a man without commitments or pledges, except those made in his campaign.

Among the accepted rules of American elections is that a candidate must win New York State to be elected. Until today only Woodrow Wilson had ever won without it. Mr. Truman lost New York and Pennsylvania — the state with the second largest number of electoral votes. Another rule is that resentment builds up against the party in power, and that this resentment after so many years becomes irresistible. Mr. Truman has overcome this handican.

#### **NEWS**

#### Blair pledge on morality agenda

Tony Blair vows today that he will not be driven off the new morality agenda dominating British politics, pledging that he will put the promotion of "strong families" at the heart of policy-making under a Labour government.

He confirms that he will resist Tory attempts before the election to concentrate public debate on the economy. Writing in The Times, the Labour leader denies that his party has been 

#### Fireworks safety call

lan Lang was under pressure from safety campaigners to introduce new laws banning giant fireworks after two deaths at weekend bonfire parties. The President of the Board of Trade was already considering the need for stronger safety laws to be in force after a 90 per cent increase in injuries....... Pages 1, 3

#### Records bank

Plans for a £1 billion computer scheme to centralise every citizen's personal records, from birth certificates and tax returns to television licences, are to be unveiled ...Page 2

#### Cane campaign

Tory rightwingers pledged to step up the campaign for the return of corporal punishment in state schools after support from opinion polls and signs that some ministers back the move .. Page 2

#### 'Cheat' walks out

Ffyona Campbell, the first woman to walk the world, will be removed from the Guinness Book of Records after admitting that she cheated ...

#### Toes must go

The Duchess of York's toes, famously caressed on a French sun terrace, are to be banished from the front of the British edition of her new autobiography .... Page 5

#### HRT trial

A 25-year trial designed to answer the questions about hormone replacement therapy, taken by one in three British women in their 50s, begins today..... Looser ties

An election campaign on the Isle of Man, where the parliamentary system began 1.000 years ago, will return a government committed to loosening ties with Westminster and Brussels......Page 9

#### Fruitless search

A two-year worldwide search has failed to produce a leader for the London School of Economics, one of Britain's most prestigious universities, leaving it rudderless at a crucial period ...... .... Page 10

#### Prison camps

Two disused military bases are to be opened as prisons in an attempt to ease overcrowding and cope with an increasing jail population.

#### Hebron visit

Malcolm Rifkind arrived in Hebron on a visit to underline his insistence that both Israel and the Palestinians should do all they can to reach agreement on this flashpoint... Zaire plea

France called on Europe to prepare for intervention in eastern Zaire as Paris confirmed it was considering plans to open "humanitarian corridors" for a million Hutu refugees...... Page 13

#### Clinton pursuit

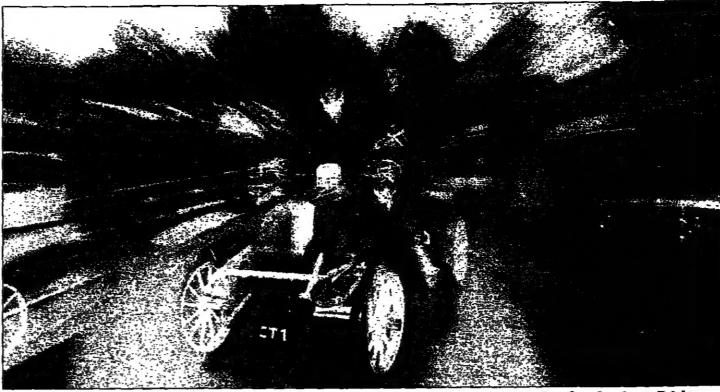
As the clock ticks towards the opening of the polls tomorrow. President Clinton is relentlessly criss-crossing the nation in pursuit of the second term ... Page 14

#### Serbia poll

The Socialists of President Milosevic of Serbia were poised for victory as about seven million Serbs went to the polls

#### Touching Cleopatra's legacy

The royal areas of ancient Alexandria, 2,000 years ago the playground of Cleopatra and Mark Antony, has been mapped for the first time. Franck Goddio, a French marine archaeologist, said: "It was a fantastic feeling diving on the remains of the city. To think when I touched a statue or sphinx. that Cleopatra herself might have done the same." ...... Page 1



Mike and Claire Timms set off in their 1903 De Dion Bouton in the RAC Centenary Veteran Car Run from London to Brighton

being large.

BUSINESS

Economy: smaller companies report higher than average growth in output, orders, employment and pay in the latest quarterly Business Opinion Survey from the Institute of Directors. But optimism is improving more slowly......Page 52

Moral crists: insurers blame breakdown in family and community disciplines for an 80 per cent rise over five years in claims for malicious damage to property, much of it inflicted by children or departing \_\_Page 52

Co-ops: Graham Melmoth, new chief executive of the Co-operative Wholesale Society, hopes finally to achieve the long-desired merger with the Co-operative Retail Society to help to arrest a losing battle with big retailers. . Page 49

ARTS

Weekend of pop: Erasure take to the road in Glasgow with a greatest hits tour, which could be viewed as a salvage operation on a flagging career. London gets verbal putdowns from BabyBird and no-frills blues-rock from Reef ...... Page 20 Happy anniversary: Thomas Allen celebrates a quarter-century at

mance in the Royal Opera's revival of Don Giovanni ...... Page 21 Creative energy: a festival in London is celebrating the contribution that Jews have made to artistic life in Vienna...

Covent Garden with a fine perfor-

Dramatic duo: Timothy and Sam West, father and son, play Falstaff and Prince Hal in English Touring Theatre's fine production of Henry IV Parts I and 2 ..... .. Page 21

TEMBES . able gap: eight million women in Britain are, apparently, size 16 or over. Nigella Lawson on a new women's magazine that celebrates

ing today: the MP Kenneth Baker's selection of war poems from his new anthology...

#### **运 開放为在計算出程**。 Fourth dimension: Marcus du Sautoy asks how we can look at

multidimensional shapes when we have only 3-D vision...... Page 16

Future cure: Southampton Medi-

cal School is at the boundaries of medical research Pages 42-44

Football: Newcastle United returned to the top of the Premiership by beating Middlesbrough 3-1 at St James' Park. Blackburn Rovers. the bottom club without a win in the Premiership, scored a surprise 3-0 win over Liverpool .... Page 27 Rugby union: Tim Gavin, the New South Wales No 8, is flying to Scotland to replace Mark Connors, the fourth player injured on the Australians' tour ...... Pages 36, 37 Golf: Laura Davies is poised to become the first British golfer to finish top of the money lists in the United States and Europe in the same year .....

Cricket: the England A team had a disappointing start to their tour of Australia, losing by nine wickets to the New South Wales second team, but not before Owais Shah collected a second half century.. Page 28 Salling: about 300,000 spectators lined the dockside at Les Sables D'Olonne for the start of the Vendée Globe single-handed non-stop round-the-world race ...... Page 35 Racing: the Irish-trained Oscar Schindler seeks to justify favouritism by winning the Melbourne Cup early tomorrow \_\_\_\_ Page 39

with five and the bonus won lion with three won ElO.

# Preview: There is humour in a film

about men working down Belfast's drains, but the political divide is never far away in Short Stories: Down the Drains (C4, 8.00pm). Review: Matthew Bond is glad to reach the end of Rhodes .... Page 51

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Europe's promises Will British texpayers end up paying for the pensions of the Germans, Imlians and French? Page 23

#### The Hebron bargain

There is a real danger that the force of events in the streets of Hebrons will rise up and consume bon Netanyahu and Arafat ...... Page 23

## Poetry of remembrance

A masterful new Faber anthology of war poetry, compiled by Kenneth Baker, brings rogether the stately and inspirational ... Page 23

#### - COLUMNS

#### TONY BLAIR

We are seeking to balance opportunity with responsibility as the only basis for a modern welfare state, recognising that we have a collective duty to help those at the bottom of society, but insisting also that those offered help have a duty to take it .....

#### PETER RIDDELL

Bill Clinton's imminent re-election is already being seen as a portent of a Labour victory next year. But the Blairites are wrong to believe that Clinton's strategy is sufficient for success here.....

#### MATTHEW PARRIS

If Solomon's temple came down: if the Sumerians and the Egyptians faltered; if the Greeks came to nought; if Rome fell; if China reverted; if the Incas imploded; if the strange towers and fortifications you will find in the Zimbabwe ruins so overshadow the primitive culture which was encountered squatting in their shade, why should we prove unprecedentedly

South Wirrall; Wang Li, Chinese Communist propagandist: Sir Eric Drake, former chairman of British Petroleum ...... Page 3

Morality debate: NHS efficiency: oldest shipwreck; war memorials: fishing policy....

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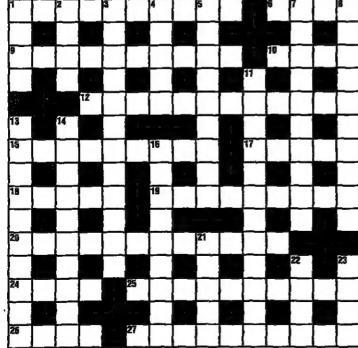
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#### THE TIMES CROSSWORD NO 20,316



#### ACROSS

1 For example. Figaro's dance or choral music? (6-4).

- 6 Experts the other side can't
- touch them in court (4). 9 Freely date aunt if besotted (10).
- 10 Talk idly about a heroic story (4). 12 Unexpectedly lacking article by sportsman (3.2.3.4).
- 15 Fruit for each maiden carried by simple chap (9).
- 17 One getting up to take part in flight (5).
- 18 Field for combat isn't level (5). 19 Contractor finally puts out cover resistant to corrosion (9).
- 20 Occasionally, how nice a line
- could be? (4.2,1.5). 24 Scrap at start of Iliad (4).
- 25 Source of underwater echo? (6-4).
- 26 One giving police dope and needle

BERLOUP

The solution of · Saturday's Prize Puzzle No 20,315 will appear next Saturday. The five winners will receive a bottle of Aberlour single highland malt whisky.

27 A means to manneuvre vessel, and the skill to do so (10).

I Security whose loss may lead to dismissal (4).

- 2 Current in river provided source
- of electricity (4). 3 It's a nice change, keeping so keen
- 4 Endlessly brandish old military headdress (5).
- 5 Subtle suggestions or blatant examples of them? (9). 7 Dance leaders of English society
- held in part of London (10). 8 Skill in mounting HMS Pinafore,
- perhaps? (10). 11 Came upon horse carrying largely courteous bishop (12).
- 13 Orderly ballot disclosed in article carried by Scotsman (10).
- 14 Litigant's dull speech bewildered court (10). 16 Many equip a young fellow with
- English preserve (9). 21 Skirt worn by a queen in women's quarters (5).
- 22 Attractive person successful reception? (4). 23 Steal a parliamentary notice (4).

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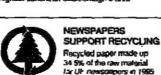
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TOMORROW

IN THE TIMES

FEMALE ART The Whitechapel Art Gallery celebrates more than three dozen women artists

LAW Why the insurance industry is proving crucial to no win, no fee cases



43, 48, homus 25. Eleven tickets with six numbers won £860,652 each; 55 £52,963; 2,407 with five won £756; 90,709 with four won £44; 1.35 mil-

## Barry Porter, Conservative MP for

## FORECAST

General: England and Wales should have a wet and windy start to the day, but by alternoon brighter weather with squally showers should reach all parts. Showers heaviest and most frequent in the west, with strong

o gale-force southwest winds. Southern Scotland and Northern Ireland, although wet initially, will become brighter by afternoon with squally showers on strong to gale or even severe gale-force southwest winds. The rest of Scotland will tend to stay cloudy, with rain at times London, S.E. England, E. Angila: cloudy with rain, heavy at times, clearing by afternoon, leaving sunny

leaving surny spells and bluster showers. Wind south to southwes strong to gale, locally severe gale,

spells and blustery showers. Wind south to southwest, strong to galeforce, turning southwest and moderating for a time. Max 14C (57F).

Central S England, E Midlands, E England, W Midlands, Channel Isles, Central N, NE England: cloud and rain clearing during the morning,

a time. Max 19C (55F).

SW England, S Wales, N Wales, NW England, Lake District, Isle of Man: cloud and rain clearing for sunny spells and heavy showers. Wind south to southwest, strong to gale, locally severe. Max 13C (55F).

Borders, Edinburgh & Dundes, SW Scotland, Glasgow, Argyli, N Ireland: cloudy with rain, heavy at lines hecograph brighter with soruelly.

times, becoming brighter with squally showers by afternoon. Wind south to showers by atternoon. Wind south to southwest, strong to gale, severe at times, later turning north to northwest in places. Max 11C (52F).

Aberdeen, Central Highlands, Moray Firth: mainly cloudy with rain or showers. Wind south to southeast, mostly moderate to fresh, gale later. Max 10C (50F).

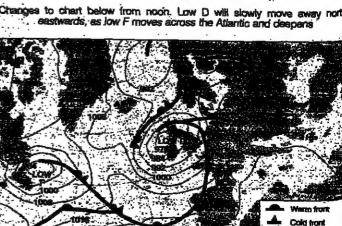
NE Scottand, NW Scottand, Orkney, Shetland: cloudy with rain, heavy at times. Wind east to south, fresh to strong, locally gale, turning

hesty at arms. Write east to strong, locally gale, turning mostly north to northwest, gale or even severe gale later. Max 9C (48F).

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